Mr Nixon

tells West

is dangerous

By Our Foreign Staff
The Western alliance will not survive and ultimately the West will lose a third world war unless it sheds its "obsolete and dangerously inadequate" habit of looking inward and transforms itself into a united force that thinks, prepares and acts globally, former President Richard Nixon said in London vesterday.

"The belief that the alliance can survive by defending the

centre in Europe and need not act together to resist attacks on the perimeter in the Third World is a fatal delusion", he

disunity

Mr Muskie appointed **US Secretary** of State

tor Edmund Muskie was named Secretary tate yesterday, in succession to Mr Cyrus ze who resigned over last week's abortive on to rescue the American hostages from Mr Muskie is 66 and it is thought that he easily win confirmation from the Senate.

taunch Democrat to succeed Mr Vance

'atrick Brogan gton, April 29

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politicians He was born in Maine in 1914. He was open in maine in 1914. He was elected Governor there in 1954, a novel event since the state had previously been solidly Republican. He entered the Senate after winning an election in 1958 and only once, in 1976, was he ever in any danger of losing his seat.

He is, by descent, a Polish Catholic and the people of Maine found that his rigid morals and honesty suited them

Mr Muskie's great success on the budget committee has arisen from his ability to work aut and to promote compro-mises between conflicting in-terests. He is a lawyer by pro-fession but, unlike his pre-decessor, has not practised very

He is a member of the Senate foreign relations committee, and thus has a working knowledge of foreign affairs: but he has not specialized in them since the Vietnam war. On the other hand, he is a man of considerable political weight, and will certainly make his

and will certainly make his mark in the State Department. He will be his own man. He has presumably given convincing assurances of his loyalty to President Carter, but will not be the same sort of self-effacing public official as Mr Cyrus Vance, or as Mr Warren Christopher, the Deputy Secretary of State, who was Mr Vance's favourite for the succession.

Mr Christopher is Acting Secretary now, and will keep that position until Mr Vance

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anian generals say S about to attack

anian 'chiefs of staff he armed forces today ident Carter intended another attack on the oon. They ordered all o observe "extreme

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chiefs said. chiefs said.
(In Washington officials said
no firing took place during the
"routine intercept" of the
Iranian aircraft, a C130 transport, which had come too close to the Nimitz. They said it was the American aircraft which escorted the C130 back to Iranian airspace.)

In their later statement the Iranian chiefs of staff said that the failure of the United States the failure of the United States rescue mission last Friday, the American election, and the resignation of Mr Cyrus Vance, the Secretary of State, made it clear that President Carter intended to launch "another plot" against Iran.

"There is no doubt that he has another project planned and ready for execution, to compensate for the defeat of his previous plan, regain his

when they reached the his previous plan, regain his

Commons praise for Thatcher firmness

By Fred Emery
Mrs Margaret Thatcher
savoured a rare triumph in the savoured a rare triumph in the Commons yesterday for her refusal to compromise with her European Community parmers. She united Government and Opposition benches and drew expressions of pride and thanks from such haters of the EEC as Mr Enoch Powell and the Rev Ian Paisley.

The lone dissenter was Mr Russell Johnston, the Inverness Liberal, who said that her abrasive manner had damaged Europe and isolated Britain.

The Prime Minister was tempted to crow only against Mr Johnston; she had been pretty successful, whatever her methods in getting an offer of

methods in getting an offer of £850m reduction in our £1,120m

EEC budget contribution, she But for the rest she tried to present the breakdown at the Luxembourg summit in conciliatory terms: all had compro-mised and they had come near to a solution. They now had six weeks before the next EEC summit in Venice for the Italian President of the Carelland President of the Council of Ministers to make "strenuous

ment". She almost made it sound like a slight hitch, until she un-holstered some of what she called our "weapons". These were that "there will be no further agreements on other major matters in the Community unless our own particular problem in the Community is settled *

efforts to complete a settle-

Refusing agreement for the agricultural price review was not the only action to be taken. There was still no overall budget for the Community, she re-marked, and not likely to be one until Britain's problem was settled.

This does not mean that Britain is bringing the Community to a standstill, it is said in Whitehall.

Some negotiating advantage is seen in maintaining confusion over what the Government will ro will not do. But two things are being asserted. Since the EEC partners sought "linkage" between the budget and other outstanding problems, the British Government will not now ettle any of them until the budget issue is settled.
As for the other leaders'

refusal to have the British contribution discussed at the next summit, the Government would like nothing better provided it can all be settled by the Coun-cil of Ministers. However, this is seen as unrealistic; and Mrs Thatcher, as she said repeatedly, is now hectoring the Italians to use the remaining six weeks before Venice to "complete"

Her main point on the budget settlement was that a one-year settlement was that a one-year arrangement would not have prevented the issue recurring every year. So it was better to wait until they could agrees on duration, where, Mrs Thatcher feels, she has already compromised by cutting back her demands to three years.

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world is a fatal delusion, he said in a speech prepared for a supper at the Hyde Park Hotel given by Sir Charles Forte, the chief executive of Trust Houses Forte.

The transformation The transformation of the alliance, in which Europe's role The Queen, in the first state visit to Switzerland by a British monarch, inspecting an infantry guard of honour outside the Palace of the Parliament in Berne yesterday.

Railmen accept 20% pay increase in revised single stage deal

By Donald MacIntyre

British Rail yesterday overcame the setback which lust week prevented agreement to its pay and productivity offer when the three rail unions accepted a restructured deal yielding the same increase of 20 ner cent.

The National Union of Railwaymen's executive, which re-jected an offer last week of 16 per cent from April 21 and a further four per cent from June 30 voted by 25 votes to three yesterday to accept a single payment of the full 20 per cent

from May 5. The new formula, reached after six hours of talks on Mon-day, brings forward by a month, to May 31, the date by which the unions are expected to agree a programme for ne-gotiating the wide range of efficiency measures which the

BR board is seeking.
Subject only to final endorsement by the white coller Transport and Salaried Staffs' Association, 180,000 railway workers will receive, from next week, pay increases adding be-tween £9.80 and £17.75 on basic rates at a cost to the board of jobs. Print dispute stops

The London Evening News, the country's largest selling evening newspaper, yesterday became the latest casualty in

foundry workers belonging to the National Graphical Associa-

The Evening News has a circulation of 500,000. It is the
fifth Fleet Street newspaper to
be caught up in the five-week
dispute over pay between the
NGA and the Newspaper
Society, representing provincial

newspaper publishers, and the British Printing Industry Federation, representing 3,700 general printing firms.

NGA leaders have said the

"guerrilla war" against national newspapers with pro-vincial publishing interests will

continue until the employers concede their claim for an £80

a week minimum and a 375 hour week Mr Joe Wade, the union's general secretary, said last night: "When they are

ready to move, we are ready to.

The BPIF insisted that the re-

pretty solid and strengthen-

them "

By Paul Routledge

'Evening News'

the printing pay dispute that conceding an interim agree-has spread to Fleet Street. All ment. editions were lost after 44 The union view was challen-

As in the previous offer, BR is insisting not only on commitment to its long-term plan for improving productivity but, in return for the pay deal, "specific action" on the items which it attaches most urgency: reduction of spare managements:

yard capacity, increased efficiency of the freight and parcels business, and a cut in administration costs. On the present establishment that could mean a notional cut of up to 30,000 jobs; but that

includes what the unions say is 12,000 unfilled vacancies, while the board believes declines in some area can be compensated for by increases in jobs in others as business im-The agreement provides that

there shall be no compulsory dismissals. Mr Sidney Weighell, general secretary of the NUR, made it clear that with a progressive decline in working hours and overtime, now 12 hours a week, he saw no reason why there should be a decline in railway

ing all the time". But the NGA countered that some 2,025 firms employing 17,859 union members, 30 per cent of the industry's total, had now gone into the "exemption net" after

ged by Mr Peter Medcalf, president of the BPIF, who said:

There is now virtually unani-

mous resolve across our mem-

barship to reject the NGA's claim for money over that agreed with the other two

But NGA sources said Mr Medcalf had sent a memoran-

competitors were not observing

the lockout recommendation.

The deal will give a minimum carnings level of £66.60 a week in the industry. The London allowance, payable from April 21, will bring that level in the capital up to £75. The basic rates fo ra railman will increase from £48.95 to £58.75 and his average carnings will go 1101.20 a week.

The train driver's basic rate will go from £78.20 to £93.85, with new average earnings of £137.42, and that of a top grade signalman from £88.85 to £106.60, with new average earnings of £175.64.

The very top grade covered by the agreement, senior super-visors will have new average carnings of £202.27.

The working week will be reduced by an hour to 39 from November 1981 for manual grades and to 37 for salaried

From next January all staff will receive a minimum of four weeks holiday after two years'

\$500m loans to prevent collapse of **US** bank

New York, April 29

the United States and branches around the world, including London, It is the 23rd largest bank in the United States hav-

and assets of \$8,400m and 574,000 deposit accounts.

by the Federal Reserve Board to First Pennsylvania and this

bank's viability would been seriously threat-without the rescue have ened "

The bank has had managerial and trading problems for several years but has been generally profitable. However, in the first quarter of this year it lost \$6.4m. of which \$1.4m arose from losses on securities. In the same period last year the bank made a profit of

\$5.7m.
"The bank's loss primarily reflects the mismatch of the bank's fixed rate assets and Mr Butler said.

What this means is that be-tween 1976 and 1979 it invested Continued on page 19, col 2

In the largest bank rescue undertaken by the Federal Deposit insurance Corporation the troubled First Pennsylvania Bank has been loaned \$500m (nearly £220m) to prevent its possible collapse.

First Pennsylvania, based in Philadelphia, bas 69 offices in

The rescue package consists of a \$1,000m kine of credit plus \$325m in loans from the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation and \$175m in loans from 22 banks. The loans are for five years with the biggest slice coming from Citibank, although the exact amount has not been disclosed. A further \$25m is being provided by local banks within the state.

Some \$700m of short-term money has already been loaned.

would be vital, must not be would be vital, must not be military terms alone but also in economic and diplomatic spheres. "It means that we have to improve our intelligence and our covert action capa-bility. It means that we need bility. It means that we need skilled diplomacy. It means that we must stand by our friends when they are threatened, and that in vital areas, such as Saudi Arabia, we must be prepared to use force if necessary to help them defend themselves? From Anthony Hilton A joint force to strike back at terrorists should also be formed, Mr Nixn said, and this should include continuous pooling of intelligence. The object was deterrence by "an international force specially trained, led and appropriate the test and not the test and

ing slipped from 20th position two years ago. It is also Penn-sylvania's largest bank. According to its last balance sheet it has deposits of \$5,300m

According to Mr George Butler, First Pennsylvania's chairman and chief executive

interest sensitive liabilities",

equipped for the task, and not paralysed by United Nations paraysed by United Autous vetoes, hamstrung by United debates or hobbled by the shackles that the American Congress has laced on covert action by the Central Intelligence Agency. The process of becoming a global alliance rather than just an Atlantic alliance did not mean blindly following the American lead. A new world strategy for the West would mean "recognizing that different individual members of the alliance bave particular strengths, or particular ties, that enable them to take the lead more effectively than

A joint force to strike back at

others in particular situations that affect the future of all of us".

The important thing was to get together to face "the most important problem facing the West; the threat to our supply of indispensable raw materials which is presented by continuing Soviet conquest and the escalation in the number of unstable, anti-Western regimes in the Third World".

Seen in this light, securing the release of the Americans held hostage by militants at the American Embassy in Tehran was a problem which though urgent for the United States in the short run—tended to obscure and delay the attention which should be given to the which should be given to the global threats to the West. In all this, the part to be

played by Europe was vital, the former President said. "When the alliance was founded, Europe was weak at the centre, struggling back from the devastation of the Second World War." Now, though vul-nerable around the world, Europe was strong at its centre. "Today, it is fair to say that,

without thorough-going Euro-pean participation in both developing and carrying out a Continued on page 8, col 4

Alfred chcock aged 80

geles, April 29.—Sir tchcock, whose films id terrified audiences than half a century, at the age of 80. The is death was not dis-

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od for tests. schor, who was born stone, Essex, had a maker and had suf-ful bouts of arthritis cars, causing him to lebair or crutches. died, Sir Alfred was oa film dealing with ake the British spy, at the Shrot Nnight. Hised citizen of the tes, Sir Alfred re-knighthood in a cere-

Hollywod studio set the British Consulit he was "Sir Alfred on", he said with a uch of Hitchcock I'm sorry I didn't my with me today" e dthe film industry writer. Among the directed were : Psycho, Spellbound, ho Knew Too Much, te Thirty Nine Steps, Vanishes, Foreign ent, The Paradinc M for Murder North est, Rear Window,

ialized in mystery said of himself: storyteller ".-

S Africa police arrest 400

protesting pupils

About 400 Coloured high school pupils
were arrested and charged with offences
under the Riotous Assemblies Act after under the Riotous Assemblies Act after incidents at a demonstration in Johannes-burg. Mr Pieter Botha, the Prime Minister, speaking in Parliament on the spreading class boycott by Coloured pupils, said that extra-parliamentary action would be met with the full might of the state. The pupils' s at a medical centre action was supported ar demonstrations by university students in Cape Town and Durban Page 8

Legal plea over May 14 The Institute of Directors has asked the Government to intervene legally in the TUC's " day of action " next month, so that employers can sue trade unions for financial losses Page 2

Jaguar strike ends

The remaining opposition to BL manage-The remaining opposition to BL management's imposition of a pay and conditions package crumbled when 1,500 Jaguar workers voted to end their three-week strike. But a new dispute at Cowley over changes in "togging-up" allowances threatens output of Maxi, MGB GT, and Princess models Page 2

Banking hours threat

The 130,000-strong Banking, Insurance and Finance Union is opposed to any extension of bank opening hours and has instructed its leadership at the union's annual conference in Folkestone to call for industrial action over attempts to introduce late-night

Japan pays to flood River Kwai railway

Japanese money will help to pay for a hydro-electric dam being built at Khao Laem in Thailand which will flood part of the Japanese military reilway constructed by allied prisoners during the Second World War which featured in the film Bridge on the River Kwai. More than 12,000 prisoners died building the line.

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Peach 'hail of missiles' The Blair Peach inquest in London was told that a "hail of missiles" had been directed at police during the demonstration in Southall in which Mr Peach died. Several witnesses said they were struck by police officers

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Drive for dog wardens A compaign for a national dog warden service funded by an increase in the licence fee from 371p to 55 was launched in London. The aim is to reduce the estimated 500,000 strays in Britain Page 5 Turin Shroud: Claims that relic can be

traced back to sixth century AD challenged by Professor at King's College, London 2 Operation Countryman: Investigation into allegations of police corruption in London may last for at least another year . . . 4 London-Miami flights: Boost for Sir Freddie Laker as his airline is selected by the Civil Aviation Authority for scheduled

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Business News, pages 19-27
Stockmarkets: Gilts and oil stocks continued to push the equity market upwards encouraged by the streagth of sterling and Wall Street's resilience over American foreign affairs. The FT ludex was up 4.6 at 436.7

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Medcalf had sent a memoran-dum to his own firm. Hunt, Barnard of Aylesbury, Bucking-hamshire, telling union chapel leaders that the company was "prepared to modify its atti-tude" on suspension of craft printworkers without pay "in view of the necessity to safe-guard the business" while its competitors were not observing Diplomat is appointed energy chief By David Spanier Diplomatic Correspondent

The Prime Minister took the Mr Medcalf was not available unusual step yesterday of appointing one of the Foreign Office's most senior displomats, to comment on the report.
Provincial publishing and
general printing employers meet Sir Donald Maitland, to be pertomorrow to discuss their next move in the dispute. The NGA's sir Donaid Maitland, to be permanent secretary of another ministry, the Department of Energy. The present Permanent Secretary, Sir Jack Rampton, will retire in July.

The decision reflects the growing importance which energy, particularly in its international aspects, has in government policy. sponse from member firms to ruling national council does not its lockout recommendation was meet until next Tuesday. Pickets arrested, page 2

ment policy. Sir Donald, at present Deputy Permanent Under-Secretary at the Foreign Office, had overall responsibility for the complex of problems which arose from the Afghanistan and Iranian crises. These include energy needs and supplies.

Sir Donald is a Scot, aged 57. His great capacity for hard work his sense of humour, and above all his enthusiasm, radiate purpose and energy.

He first came to public notice in 1967 as Private Secretary to Mr George Brown (now Lord

George-Brown) at the Foreign Office. He moved, after an interval as ambassador in Tripoli, to Downing Street in 1970, as spokesman to Mr Edward After the Conservative administration left office, he rapidly achieved influence under Mr Harold Wilson (Now Sir Harold) when his plan to improve trad

World became a major Com-monwealth project. His reward was the post of Permanent Re-

presentative at the United Nations in 1973,

Returning to London, Sir Donald became, in 1975, ambassador and permanent represen-tative to the EEC in Brussels. Our Political Correspondent writes: At Westminster, MPs saw Sir Donald's appointment as a move to strengthen the Government's relations with the CPEC countries. He is a fluent Arabic speaker, a former am-bassador to Libva, and director of the Middle East Centre for Aran Studies from 1955 to 1960. Sir Donald's unusual sequence of oremotions, means, that he could be in the running even-tually for one of the top jobs



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Employers seeking to sue unions for financial loss through May 14 'day of action protest

The Government has been asked to intervene legally in the TUC's forthcoming "day of action" so that employers could sue trade unions for financial losses caused by industrial

Sir Michael Havers, QC, the Attorney General, was yester-day pressed by the Institute of Directors "to make an early statement to clarify the legal position to employers". British industry could lose up to £315m in lost production on May 14. the employers argue, and that burden should be borne by the unions rather than companies. Mr Walter Goldsmith, director-general of the institute, called for the legal statement in a letter to the Attorney General. He told a meeting of the institute yesterday: "The day of action constitutes a political campaign against the Consequences."

"Not by the furthest stretch of the imagination can May 14 be called a trade dispute. Trade unions and their officers are immune from action in tort for damages or an injunction only more g when they cause injury in con-templation or furtherance of a Council

time for the day of action to be called off."

TUC leaders are aware that the industrial action which they have called in protest at Cabinet policies on the economy and labour law reform may entail a risk of litigation.

The TUC had nothing to add last night to a speech made by Mr Len Murray, the general secretary, five days ago, when he asked engineering employers in the West Midlands: "Are the critics chellenging the right of workers to take rime off, at their own expense, to exercise that right (of protest)? Or are they just trying to shut us up?"

In practice, the value to em-ployers of a legal challenge to the day of action would depend on whether it was taken against a trade union in their own industry or whether it was a more general case against Mr Murray and the TUC General

trade dispute'. They should think very carefully before exposing their members' funds to risk.

Supporting evidence for the employers' vie wis inadvertently given in a letter to trade union risk.

"The Attorney General from Mr Jack Dromey, a should warn the TUC of the veteran of the Grunwick strike danger to which trade unions and secretary of the TUC's are exposed while there is still South-east regional council.

The circular says: "May 14 is a day of critical importance for our movement. A major response will be a tremendous morale booster for our mem-bers. A poor response will only give heart to the Conservative Government. Let London's trade now lead the way in demonstrat-ing the opposition of our people to the dangerous and doctrin-aire policies of this Govern-

ment."

A similarly political view of the action is being taken by the TUC-affiliated union representing top civil servants, the First Division Association, which has advised its members to attend work normally and cross other Civil Service union picket lines if necessary. picket lines if necessary.

Trains and buses are expec-

ted to be halted on May 14 as a result of official action by the transport and railway unions. Many other public services will function at emergency

Police facing pickets of the National Graphical Association outside the offices of the "Express and Star" in

16 pickets arrested in newspaper dispute

From Arthur Osman
Wolverhampton
Sixteen members of the
National Graphical Association
were arrested on the picket
line outside the works of the
Wolverhampton Express and
Star yesterday as bitterness
grew in the regional newspapers dispute.
The arrests came as the one
edition of the Express and Star
left the publishing area in
Castle Street, Wolverhampton.
Two vans at a time were loaded
behind closed doors and left
escorted by a police car.
Police helped to clear tin
tacks scattered in the road to
ger them through. Two ranks
of more than 350 pickets lined
woth sides of the narrow street
behind a protective cordon of

behind a protective cordon of about 250 police. Pickets had been wrought in from Bristol, Cardiff, Chester and Liverpool. There was much jostling and

Among those arrested alleged obstruction, assault or breach of the peace was Mr Robert Tomkin, of Beverley Crescent, Bedford, a national organizer of the NGA. It was his second arrest in two days.

With 12 others he later appeared before local justices, and was granted bail on condition that he left the town before midnight and did not return until May 30, when the cases will be heard.

cases will be heard.

Then it was learnt that at Telford, the home of the Shropshire Star, a sister paper of the Express and Star, production staff who are members of the Society of Lithograph Artists and Designers (Slade) and the National Society of Operative Printers, Graphical and Media Personnel (Natsopa) had been suspended. They had refused to work with the man-

out in one edition only...

out in one edition only.

The combined circulations at Telford and Wolverhampton are between 333,000 and 335,000. An official at Telford said last night: "It is our intention to continue publishing."

Picketing will be intensified at Wolverhampton rodey but doubts were expressed about Natsopa and Slade men continuing to help in production after the lead set by Telford.

The Express and Star's journalists were divided last night, with 70 deciding to go in to

with 70 deciding to go in to work but 40 saying they would obey NUJ instructions not to cross the picket lines.

At the Birmingham Post and Mail, which have not published since last Friday, it was said no papers would appear today. There is considerable concern, apparently, over the Express and Star's "infiltration" of the fringes of the group's circula-

By Arthur Reed

Air Correspondent

A 'near miss' reported at

Norwich: East Anglia has an acute shortage of newspapers as provincial managements fall in behind Newspaper Society policy and suspend NGA print-

Inswich: Since Sunday, the East Anglian Daily Times and Evening Star have not appeared. Cambridge: The Evening News ceased publication from midnight last Wednesday. The Essex Chronicle series, of Chelmoford, is not being printed. printed.

Colchester: Six weeklies will be on sale this weekend because their printers, QB of Colchester, are not a party to the dispute.
Bradford: Four pickets were arrested outside the Telegraph and Argus, Eleven members of the NUJ were "locked out"; but 35 were still on news duty. The paper came out yesterday and on Monday with eight pages; selling at 6p, produced by Mr Arnold Hadwin, the editor, and a "scratch" team.

or another in the evolution of religious teaching, which was usually closely tied in with political issues of the day.

Professor Cameron is now disputing the case for regarding the shroud and the Mandylion, another famous Christian relic, Ipswich: Since Sunday, the as the same object.

The Mandylion has not survived under that name to the

present day, and a number of advocates of the shroud's authenticity have argued that it was the Mandylion, wrapped up and with a different name, and hence that the shroud could be traced back far nearer to the time of

Claim about

Shroud put

Claims that the Shroud of

Claims that the Shroud of Turin can be traced back to at least the sixth century AD have been challenged by a leading scholar of the Byzantine period. If she is right the shroud, which is alleged to be the burial cloth of Jesus Christ, has no recorded history before the

fourteenth century, and the case for its authenticity is seriously

Doubt was thrown on the

shroud's proyenance last night by Professor Averil Cameron, the new Professor of Ancient

the dew Professor of Ancient History at King's College Lon-don; in her inaugural lecture

given to an audience including many prominent Byzantinists.

She capped her argument by showing how the multiplication of religious tokens and relics had often been used by one side or another in the evolution of

in doubt

By Clifford Longley

Religious Affairs

Correspondent

weakened.

Turin

That theory seemed to have met one of the principal objections to accepting the shroud as 2,000 years old, and it was popularized in the book and film called The Silent Witness.

popularized in the book add film called The Silent Witness, made a few years ago

The Mandylion first appears in history in the sixth century in Edessa. Professor Cameron relates it to a legend of a King Abgar, a contemporary of Jesus, who was supposed to have received a letter from Jesus, and whose messenger painted a portrait of, Jesus at the same time.

"It would be a serious mistake to relegate such items as the Image of Edessa to the realm of popular religion, not shared by intellectuals, "Professor Cameron said last night.

"The fact is that in late antiquity, religion, that is, Christianity, played the role ascribed in our day by Michael Foucault, rightly or wrougly, to sexuality. That is, it had come to occupy every aspect of thought and life, every mode of reasoning and every activity. It worked as a power structure. of reasoning and every activity. It worked as a power structure, and through the power struc-

ture.
Naturally, then, the government used tokens of Christianity, the Virgin's Robe, the most revered icons, as instruments of power and authority. In such an atmosphere the mul-tiplication of religious tokens was almost inevitable, especially if they were used in assert-ing the truth of one side or

The Mandylion was not men-tioned in one of the most re-tiable reports of the seige of Edessa in AD 544, which throws great doubt on its existence at

Only subsequent less reliable accounts speak of it. In the next few centuries accounts of this object change it gradually from a painting produced by human hand, to an icon produced miraculously, and much later to an imprint of Jesus's

Without any previous history before 1353, the authenticity of the shroud now has to rely on

Finance watchdogs in Whitehall proposed

Cabinet ministers are to hold a review of the Civil Service and departmental administra-tion at their weekly meeting to-

Mrs Margaret Thatcher has ordered the review in the light of the report of Sir Derek Rayner, joint managing director of Marks and Spencer, who conducted an inquiry into White-hall administration.

before ministers and the Prime Minister wants an early decision. She is anxious to tighten up the financial scrutiny inside departments and there are suggestions that Treasury officials should be appointed to each denartment.

Civil servants might resist the report of Sir Derek the idea of appointing Treasury ayner, joint managing director officials to their departments. Marks and Spencer, who conucted an inquiry into White-all administration.

Several options have been put

Council wages cannot rise with inflation, leader says

By Christopher Warman Local Government Carrespondent

Local Government could not afford to pay its employees wage rises in line with infla-tion, Sir Gervais Walker, chair-man of the Association of County Councils, said yester-

They were worried at the prospect of pay demands from their white collar workers, police, firemen and manual workers. The National and Local Governmen Officers Association, with 470,000 staff, had spoken in terms of increases

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£2m stolen gems found by police

out by officers based at Finchley, led by Det Chief Inspector Antiony Lundy. Four men were later being interviewed by the police.

The gang involved in the Hogg Diamonds' robbery attacked Mr Wilfred Hogg a dealer, near his London office.

Son on murder charge

an unemployed foundry worker, was remanded in custody for seven days by likeston magistrates yesterday accused of murdering his mother, Mrs Lillian Stephenson, at their home in Bank Street, Langley Mill, near Nottingham.

in line with inflation, Sir Ger-

"A level of pay rises on what is considered to be the present level of inflation really cannot be met. There is not that kind of money in local government to pay these exterionate de-mands." It was economic It was economic

stupidity. stupidity.

After comparability payments there was enough left for local governments to pay increases of 7 to 9 per cent and they could hold the position at 10 per cent; but there was no sign that the unions would accept such a thing, Sir Gervas said.

in London raids

Stolen jewelry valued at more than E2m was recovered in raids on addresses in north London by Flying Squad officers, it was disclosed yesterday. The raids were carried out in the last few days.

The haul apparently included gems valued at £750,000 snatched in an armed robbery at Hogg Diamonds, Kirby Street, in Clerkenwell, London, on February 11.

The police raids were carried

To establish who owned the rest of the recovered property police will check items stolen in recent thefts. They will also call on executives of firms that have been robbed to see if they are identify involved. can identify jewelry.

Dennis Stephenson, aged 50,

Jaguar men vote to end strike By Chifford Webb Midlands Industrial

The remaining opposition to BL management's imposition of its pay and conditions package crumbled yesterday when 1,600 Jaguar workers voted over-whelmingly to end their three-week strike.

But as one strike ended a new dispute broke out at Cow-ley, the second biggest car plant in the second biggest car plant in the group. In a second dispute over changes in "togging-up" allowances for men doing dirty work, 57 paint sprayers were taken off the clock and walked out in protest. A further 360 paint shop employees were laid off.

Output of Maxi, MGB GT and Princess models is continuing.

Princess models is continuing, using existing stocks of painted bodies, but will be helted short-

ly.

Like workers in the recent
strike at Longbridge, the Cowley paint sprayers are object-ing to donning protective cloth-ing in their own time, atthough since Easter they have been re-ceivin ga £3.12 a week increase in their special allowance, which earns them an extra £11

a week.
The Jaguar mass meeting in the Central Hall, Coventry, had been expected to be a formality after 16 hours of peace talks between shop stewards and management over the weekend. In the event it proved to be

touch and go.
The deciding The deciding factor was a speech by Mr William Lapworth, the Coventry divisional organizer for the Transport and General Workers Union. Workers leaving the meeting said that until Mr Lapworth said that until Mr Lapworth spoke the men were evenly divided on a return to work. He had insisted that nothing less than the future of Jaguar was at stake. In his view Sir Michael Edwardes, chairman of BL, would not hesitate to sacrifice Jaguar to safeguard the recovery plan for the group as a whole.

Sir Mchael had originaly set a deadline for the strikers to return to work on Monday or be dismissed, but he extended that to give them time to vote on a peace formula arrived at on Sunday evening.

two determined attempts to stop vans. A spearhead of pickets also tried to force a Union deals blow to hopes

of white collar group The white collar Engineers' and Managers' Association was yesterday dealt a critical blow to its attempts to win admission to the powerful Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineer-

The policy-making national committee of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers ignored the advice of Sir John Boyd, their general secretary, and voted by 51 to one to instruct the executive ander no official support the EMA's application to the CSEU... Membership of the confedera-

tion was regarded by EMA leaders as a crucial step in its long battle to win recognition in the engineering industry as

an appropriate union to repre-sent professional staff. Since the AUEW is the ominant union in the CSEU, the chances of the EMA's application being endorsed at the confederation's annual conference in June must now be seen as virtually nil. The EMA has been trying

hard to win recognition by member companies of the member companies of the Engineering Employers' Federation, which negotiates nationally with the CSEU. Its valie collar rivals, the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs and the AUEW's Technical Administrative nical, Administrative and Supervisory Staffs' section, were certain to oppose the EMA's application.

The sirliners were a Boeing 737 Britannia Airways, the Lutor-based package holiday airline, and a Boeing 707 of British Airtours, the British Airways package holiday subsidiary airline, based at Gatwick.

The crew of the 737 apparently heard air traffic control giving a similar flight

scene of Tenerife crash level to both them and the crew of the 707. When they ques-tioned the instruction, the level Two British-registered airwas changed.

Although there was no near collision, the 737 crew has filed liners were cleared for the same flight level by Spanish air traffic controllers, in the same area, and ar about the same time last Friday as the Dan-Air Boeing 727 crashed into the side of a mountain in Tenerife, with the loss of all 146 on board.

collision, the 757 crew has filed an airmiss report.

Such reports are made initially to the aviation authority in charge of the air space in which the alleged incident occurred. In this case the incident will undoubtedly be scrutinized closely by the team which is investigating the Dan-Air accident, to see if it

team which is investigating the Dan-Air accident, to see if it has any bearing on it.

The Britannia Airways airliner was approaching the new airport at Tenerife South when the incident occurred. The Dan-Air flight had been intending to land at the older airport at Los Rodeos.

Teachers put pay before conditions on talks timetable

By Diana Geddes
Education Correspondent
Teachers told local authorities vesterday that they were not willing to discuss conditions of service with them before pay talks are resumed in the Burnham Committee on Friday. The Council of Local Educa-The Council of Local Education Authorities wrote last
Friday to Mr Douglas McAvoy,
convener of the teachers' side
on the joint committee
between teachers and the
authorities, expressing disappointment that the teachers
had failed to supply dated for
future meetings and proposing
tomorrow.

that meeting would be "to discontinue serious negotiations Employers are worried that no cuss the intention of both sides on conditions of service. Employers are worried that no to continue serious negotiaof service in order to define so far as in practicable the total teacher's job having regard to the Clegg commission's concept of a teacher's professional obligation to pupils, perents and schools, and to seek a conclusion before the 1981 pay negotiations", the letter said.

The employers have received letters from four of the five teachers' unions represented on the Burnham Committee in tomorrow.

The sole item of business for to record their intentions to

on conditions of service.

The replies from the National Association of Head Teachers, the Association of Head Teachers, the Association Masters and Mistresses Association, and the Secondary Heads Association were all satisfactory to the employers, and could have provided the basis for a quick settlement of the teachers 1980 pay claim.

But the reply from who

National Union of Teachers, the largest union, referred only to the NUT's sincere aim to con-tinue discussions "in an attempt to agree improvements to teachers' conditions of service . . . without delay".

teacher's obligations.
The National Association of The National Association of Schoolmasters and Union of Women Trachers has not replied to the letter. It said yester to would reply in terday that it would reply "in due course", but certainly not before the Burnham Committee

Mr McAvoy informed the secretary to the employers side of the joint committee yesteror me joint committee yester-day that the teachers would consider dates for future meet-ings, but were not in a position to attend a meeting tomorrow. Insofficient time had been left to agree an agenda.

later to an imprint of Jesus's face on a piece of cloth. It is this last description of it that led to it being identified with

other evidence, Professor Cameron concluded.

Dublin promises £300,000 for London Irish centre

A £1,750,000 plan for the exten-A 1.1/30,000 plan for the exten-stion and improvement of the Irish Centre in Camden, Lon-don, was announced yesterday at a luncheon at the House of

Northern Ireland to find accommodation and employment, and has provided an important focus for the Irish community in

London. Father John Cagney the at a kuncheon at the House of Lords.

The Irish Government has promised a contribution of £300,000. About the same amount has been commaited by various organizations. It is hoped that the balance will be met by companies and individuals with links in both countries.

The centre established in September, 1955, has helped many newly arrived men and

The centre, established in North. Probably half were September, 1955, has heiped many newly arrived men and women from the republic and he said.

British nuclear test carried out in Nevada By Our Defence Correspondent

Britain carried out a nuclear test, its first this year, at the American underground test site in Nevada last weekend. The last was conducted last August. The Ministry of Defence will not confirm that it was linked to the £1,000m Chevaline pro-

A spokesman said that "a nuclear device" was exploded more than 2,000fc deep at Pahute Mesa, part of the Nevada test site. The explosion was below the Soviet-American agreed limit of 150 kilotons, equivalent to 150,000 tons of conventional explosive.

Weather forecast and recordings

Today log, bright or sunny intervals; wind NE, moderate; max temp 10° or:11°C (50° to 52°F).

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12.8m. Dover, 12.13 pm, 6.3m.
Hull, 7.14 am, 7.1m; 7.22 pm,
7.1m. Liverpool, 12.7 am, 8.9m;
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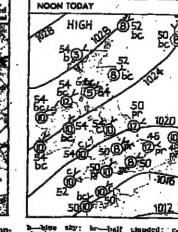
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Midlands, Channel Islands:
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intervals; wind NE, moderate or
treeh; max temp 9°or 10°C (48° to
50°F).

SW, NW England, Wales:
Straft of Dover, English Channel

Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, Glasgow, N preland: Sunny intervals, isolated showers developing; wind NE, moderate; max temp 13 or 14 °C (55° to 57°F). Borders. Edinburgh. Dundee and Aberdeen. Mostly dry. Rather-cloudy at times, especially near coast; wind NE, moderate; max temp 9° or 10°C (48° to 50°F). Central Highlands, Moray Firth. Dry. sunny periods, wind, light; max nemp 12° to 15°C (54° to 50°F).

Orkney, Shetland: Dry, sunny periods, wind N or variable, light; max temp 11°C (52°F). Outlook for tomorrow and Fci-

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MEDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair;



Wind NE, fresh; sea St George's Channel, fresh Sea: Wind NE, moderate; sea slight.

Yesterday

London: Temp: max 7 am to 7 pm, 12°C (54°F): min 7 pm to 7 am, 7°C (45°F). Humidity, 7 pm, 65 per cent. Rain, 24hr to 7 pm, a trace. Sun, 24hr to 7 pm, 2.3hr. Bar. mean sea level, 7 pm, 1.019.4 millibars, steady.

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By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

Britain's Armed Forces have been awarded pay rises of between 14! per cent and 20 per cent backdated to April 1. The 1290m package, which was welcomed by the Services, was announced by the Prime Minister in the Commons yesterday.

in the Commons yesterday. The increases, which raise the Armed Forces salaries bill by 16.8 per cent, come after the recommendations of the Review Body on Armed Forces Pay, whose report was published imultaneously.

They bring the top pay for a fully trained private soldier and equivalent ranks in the other two Services to £5,011; for a regimental sergeant-major to \$0.125. £9,125; for a second lieutenant to £5,201; and for a brigadier, the highest rank dealt with by the review body, to £18,250, a rise of £3,000.

The percentage rises vary because the review body was concerned to restore differentials

of the previous government's policy of pay restraint.

Officers' salaries are increased by between 17 per cent has gone a long way to restore confidence both in the Armen and 20 per cent, warrant officers.

Northern Ireland allowence from £1.10 a day to £1.30; in separation pay from 85p a day to £1.05 a day in Britain and North-West Europe, and from £1.00 to £1.40 for those serving forther affolds further afield or at sea; in the rates and bounties for part-time members of the Ulster Defence Regiment; and for several specialist skills.

Food charges paid by Servicemen and women have been raised by 10.8 per cent, from £1.20-a day to £1.33. Accommodation charges have been raised

Forces as a career and in the concept of the military salary. "Unless there is a continuing assurance that Armed Forces' pay will be kept broadly in line with pay in civil life at equivalent levels, the Services' ability

to recruit and, in particular, to

retain will once again be put Other examples of the new Other examples of the new rates include: colonel (after eight years in the rank), £16,962; major (after eight years), £11,994; Army captains (after aix years), £9,135; lieurenant (on appointment), £6,314; sergeant (band 2), £6,326; corporal (band 2), £6,318; private 1 (band 2), £5,011.

for the first time since 1977. Review Body on Armed Forces.

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Blair Peach inquest told of a 'hail of missiles'

Evidence that a petrol bomb was thrown at a police bus, that a "hail of missiles" was directed at the police, that a girl was struck by a policeman on the head as she fled from him, and that officers struck another witness about the face, was given to the Blair Peach inquest at Hammersmith Coroner's Court in London yes-

Miss Lee Tyler, a student, aged 17, of Ladbroke Grove, west London, said that she had heard older Asians arguing with younger ones during the demonstration against the demonstration against the National Front election meeting in Southall last April.

The younger Asians wanted to push over a police coach and Asian women and children were moved to one side before a crate with bottles and stones on it was produced from a side street.

A police van came down the road and picked up the crate. A stone was thrown towards the coach, which, she agreed in cross-examination, seemed Miss Tyler ran into a garden to be a signal. "More bottles and hid behind the fence, but

By Annahel Ferriman

Health Services Correspondent

The relatives of a middle-aged woman dying of breast cancer were not told that she

was suffering from a fatal ill-ness until a month before she

died the Health Service Com-

missiorier's report, published

The daughter of the dead

woman complained to the com-

missioner that her mother was persistently misled by her con-

sulmnt into believing that her

prognosis was good and that she, the daughter, had only

learnt her morber was fatally ill her the family doctor mea-

tioned it in passing, thinking

the family knew. Mr Cecil Clothier, the Health

ant's decision not to tell the

patient that she was dying be-cause that was a matter for his

He upheld the complaint that the relatives were not told, however, saying that it was the consultunt's normal practice to do so; but he had inadvertently

He recommended that medi-

cal staff made sure that rela-

tives were informed or, when they did not accompany the

patient, the family practitioner

was told.
The commissioner deak with

67 cases in the eight months up to March 31, 1980, of which

some justification was found in 52.

The parents of a premature buby admitted to a special baby

Ambulance men

changes in NHS

By A Staff Reporter
The Government's plan to roorganize the National Health

Service would improve emer-gency and general services, the

Ambulance Services Institute

save in a report

save in a report.

The proposal to abolish area health authorities, published in the document, Patients First, would improve standards at a

time when demands on ambu-

lance services were increasing.

The institute, one of the main professional ambulance organizations, believes plans for regional funding would remove

the ambulance service from the local political arena and allow

The report also recommends further training of ambulance workers to deal with demands caused by the greatly increasing

number of elderly patients who

require non-emergency trans-

port.
Patients First was strongly

criticised recently by the research group, the Outer Circle Policy Unic, which said it would

achieve little and cause wide

spread disruption.
Future of the Ambulance Service
(ASI. 28 Little Norton Lane.
Sheffield 8, South Yorkshire).

at little extra cost.

praise planned

departed from it.

where, hitting the coach." Theo a petrol bomb, "a milk bottle with a rag in it", was thrown on to the roof of the coach and ignited before falling

The coach was driven away and she moved back into Beech-croft Avenue, the road in which Mr Peach suffered his fatal injury. A police van turned into road opposite and an officer got out and arrested a small West Indian boy, aged 12 or 13, dragging him into the van. "People got quite angry about that," Miss Tyler said. They started throwing things again." Some of the stoines hit the back of the van and broke the back window of a car. She went down Beechcroft Avenue and loked back to see the police forming at the top. "A few people threw things, but they stopped and started to run. I heard a screech and

there was a police van just come to a hait. "About six policeman got out. Four of five of them were holding trunch-

unit complained that it was

unreasonable that because of

the visiting practices at the unit, the father had to wait five weeks until the baby's discharge before he was able to hold her; and that the mother's

access was limited to one hour

access was limited to one hour a day until she was allowed to feed the baby, a week before the infant was discharged.

Mr Clothier criticized the unit's restrictions on visiting. As a result the area health author-

ity agreed to review the prac-

tice about access in cases where

in a special care unit for a

significant period.

He also upheld the complaint

of a general practitioner who

addicts had been changed with

the result that no clinic was

available for his patients.
The commissioner said the

delay and confusion disclosed by his inquiry were deplorable. He considered the authority should take urgent and positive

for its shortcomings.

Health Erryice Comissioner's Fourth Report for session 1979-80 (Stationery Office, £6).

MPs demand: Mr Frank Dob-

and St Pancras South has called for reports by the Health

Service Ombudsmen naming the health authority concerned to be made available to the public and press in the relevant area.

Harassment fear

housing moves

Fear of racial harassment on

isolated housing estates has deterred people from moving

from overcrowded old houses in Southall, London, the Ealing Housing Aid Service said yes-

By Our Home Affairs

deterring

Correspondent

terday.

Labour MP for Holborn

Leading article, page 17

steps to settle arrangements hTe authority did so. In finally replying it apologized

to wait more than two

eons.

Doctor criticized for

Service Ombudsman, said that the arrangements in his area for he did not question the consult-

not telling relatives

She saw her friends not far sne saw ner rnends not tar away, and went with them down an alley. One friend slip-ped, and Miss Tyler looked back to see a policeman coming.
"I realized he was coming

after me, so I carried on running down the alley. I felt a thud on my head and I fell realized that I had been hit." She was not running very fast, as she was wearing cow-boy boots which hurt her. "I was hit from behind across the cheek and the side of the face." She loked u pand sa withe policeman still chasing a man who had entered the alley in who had entered the alley in front o fher. Her vision was slightly blurred. When she looked up again, "the man bad his back to the wall with his arm up over his face, protecting it".

The man's knee was raised across his body, and the policeman "was just beating him

man "was just beating him across the knee with his

truncheon".
Miss Tyler, who is about five feet tall said she was a member off the Anti-Nazi League and was a member of the Socialist

Workers Party at the time of the events in Southall. She did not go to hospital for a day or two after the incident, in spite of headaches and a split ear or make a statement to the police, because she was in care at the time and afraid people would get into trouble if it was found she had been

at the demonstration The police had visited her in July, after interviewing her friends and realizing she must

Mr Harry Tait, aged 33, a student, of Moreton Towers, Acton, London, said that he was at the bottom of Beechcroft Avenue when a blue Special Patrol Group van drove fast down it. Police piled out, some with truncheons raised, some with riot shields.

"There was a general panic". Mr Tait said. A policeman put his arm around his neck and he was thrown to the ground. Another policeman pointed his truncheon at him "like a sword". "He went straight for my grain with it." He twisted, and the blow struck his pelvis. A third policeman said: "So like Paki bastards", and

isted that he had not done anything and was hit again. His nose and face were bleeding and his mouth was cut.

He did not make a statement to the police until they came to see him in July. In answer to questions from Mr. Brian Watling, QC, counsel for the Metropolitan Police, who asked him why he did not report what appeared to be a nasty assault when the police were mounting an exhaustive investigation, he said that what happened to him did not seem particularly signi ficant.

"I was just one of many", he said. "Most people's injuries were much more serious than mine." He did not think he could identify the police officers responsible.

Mr Charles Dean, aged 32, a school caretaker, of Fairbridge Road, north London, told of a police charge in the Broadway, and of a coach with a policeman on board being driven at speed at the crowd and through a police cordon. "It was lucky that noone was killed at the rime", hee said.

Countryman may go on up to another year

By Stewart Tendler Crime Reporter

Operation Countryman, the investigation into allegations of police corruption in London, could last up to another year in processing prosecutions even if there are no further arrests.

The inquiry began in the summer of 1978 with allega-tions against the City of London force and broadened to in-clude officers of the Metropolitan Police. The centre of the allegations concerned three big robberies, two at newspaper offices and one at a City bank. So far four policemen and

two civilians have been chargedwith various offences and another four officers have been suspended. The first two officers facing charges will not face committal proceedings until the end of this year, so a trial is unlikely until well into next year. A date for committal pro-

ceedings against the next two officers is likely to be set dur-ing the next few weeks. That would probably mean that their trial also would not be until

Another Indication Countryman is likely to con-tinue for some time is the fact that Mr Leonard Burt, assitant Chief Constable of Dorset, is to return to control the investigation after a period with his

In what shape Countryman will survive is not clear. Eighty provincial officers are involved, but that unmber would be .csaled down if there were no futher investigations.

The operation has often bee the centre in recent months of controversy and critism and there has been speculation that changes might be made, but there have been official denials at suggestions of debate within the Home Office.

Critics of Countryman point to its poor record. One detective has returned to duty after suspension and another has had a charge against him withdrawn in court. Senior officers have complained at undue secrecy surrounding the inquiry. The complaints may be given

by the news yesterday that two officers had been restored to Scotland Yard's complaints investigation bureau after an inquiry initiated by Country-man. The men, a detective superintendent and a detective chief inspector, were moved to uniform posts after complaints from Countryman.

The complaints were lovestigated by a deputy assistant commissioner and two men were cleared. They returned to bureau at their own

900lb bomb defused by Army in Ulster

From Christopher Thomas Belfast

Army bomb experts yesterday completed a 12-hour operation, spread over two days, to defuse 900ib of explosives hidden under a road near a village in co

The home-made explosives, packed into nine milk churns, primed and ready for detonatien by a command wire, were found by an Ulster Defence Regiment soldier on routine patrol.

They were hidden in a vulvert a mile from Cappagh, about ten miles west of Dungannon and were discovered when the patrol was investigating a suspicious car. The area was declared clear at 2.30 om. Jail damage: The Ulster Volunteer Force said yesterday that "loyalist" prisoners in Crumlin Road Prison, Belfast, had damaged their cells when some prisoners were punished for taking part in a demonstration against the republican parade in the prison at Easter. They claimed that four prisoners

were injured.

The Northern Ireland Office said that furniture was smashed in several cells last week after inmates had been locked up for the night. Pieces of furniture were being used to damage the

cells
"At no time was there any confrontation with members of the staff and no injuries were suffered by any inmate. There was no question of any group or faction in the prison being given permission to parade'

me ouncer said.
Belfast shooting: Mr George
Kerr, aged 44. a plumber's mate,
was shot dead in his bad in east
Belfast early yesterday by a man
who forced his way through tha
front door

front door
Investment incentives: Mr
Humphrey Aikins, Secretary of
State for Northern Ireland, said
yesterday that Ulster would conattractive investment incentives of any region of the United Kingdom.

He told the Chamber of Commerce and Industry that he did not accept that Northern Ire-land should be wholly insulated from public spending restraints.

Two die as fighter bomber crashes on Dorset farm

From Our Correspondent Bournemouth

The crew of two of an American F111 swingwing fighter bomber were killed when it crashed on farmland in Dorset yesterday. The aircraft was on a routine training flight from its base at Upper Heyford, Oxfordshire.

The United States Air Force said there was nothing to suggest that a second jet on the same mission had been involved. The crew of the crashed aircraft comprised the weapons system pilot and

Although the aircraft can carry conventional nuclear weapons it was not armed; the USAF said. It crashed at Mapperton farm, just west of Wimborne Minster.

A delivery man said: "The A delivery man said: The plane came straight out of the sky and hit the ground." Mrs Mabe! Pound, who lies in a cottage at the farm, said she heard a terrific explosion. "I looked across the fields and saw two lots of fire. Cattle were panicking and running about."
Military aircraft joined the search for the sirmen's bodies. Dorset police declared the area a restricted zone.

Light breakfast for hospital patients delayed

Pressure from doctors, nurses and catering staff has forced east Berkshire to postpone the introduction of a Continental breakfast for hospital patients in place of the standard bacon and tomatoes.

Mr Stewart Hinder, the dis-

By a Staff Reporter

trict administrator, said that would enable the Berkshire area health authority to reconsider its decision to save £16,000 by introducing the new menu of rolls and butter for all patients. flexibility in this directive", he said. "It would be sad if

Harvesting of live deers' antler velvet faces ban

The Government is to ban the harvesting of velvet from the antiers of live deer. Mr Peter Walker, Minister of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food, said yesterday: "I think it is important that we deal with this undesirable practice before it becomes a feature of deer farming in

this country". Velvet is a soft coating on the growing antlers which hardens as the antlers mature. When it is harvested the young antlers and the velvet can be worth well over £100 from one rad patients in long-stay bospitals deer. It is an ingredient of faced this Continental breakfast oriental medicines and sphro-

The Government acted after the Farm Animal Welfare Counthat all barvesting of antier velver should be banned in Britain.

The Government wants to the Government wants to bring in orders protecting deer before the next high season for velvet in June. It began yester-day by defining farmed deer as livestock under the Agriculture (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act. 1968. That opens the way for 1968. That opens the way for Ministers to lay orders which will make the harvesting of velvet from live anders a criminal offence subject to a maximum fine of £500.

Howesting of Deer Antiers (Farm Autorit Buildings. Rook Rise South, Tolworth, Surbiton, Surrey, £1.25).

Tipping on designated site in Glamorgan questioned

A report detailing the plight of deprived people, including black and Asian families, says the service has "concrete evi-By John Young Planning Reporter ence of severe racial barassment on council estates ".

adds: "It is The report adds: "It is therefore not surprising that people are extremely reluctant to go to areas like Northolt and Acton, which contain over

50 per cent of the council's total housing stock ". Calling for a greatly increased housing programme, the service says: "If families in housing need could afford to buy their way into better housing they would have done so already. The rapidly shrinking commer-cial private rented sector provides very little accommodation, especially for black people." Southall Ignored: A report on housing conditions in Southall. (Ealing Housing Ald Service, 92/ 94 Warwick Road, London W5).

A Welsh council's expected decision to permit the dumping of rubble on a site officially designated as of special scientific interest seems certain to give rise to some embarrassing questions.

The site, in West Glamorgan, is known as Puntysais Fen.
According to Dr Tony Cadwaladr, the Nature Conservancy
Council's regional officer for
South Wales, it forms part of the same hydrological system as the Crumlin Bog near by. The area is an important habitet of rare sedgeland plants and is classified as of Grade 1 national importance.
la receat months Maurice

Bros, a company of civil engineers and contractors, which

By Pat Healy Social Services Correspondent The Government yesterday responded to the growing protests over the proposed cut in invali-dity pensions next November by promising to restore the value At a meeting with Neath District Council yesterday the company agreed to apply for a licence under the Control of

of the benefit when it was brought into tax. Mr Patrick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, made clear in the Commons, however, that the promise de-pended on economic circumstan-

ces. He said: "I can give the House this assurance about in-validity benefit : when it comes valoky benefit; when it comes into tax, subject to the availability of resources, we shall put back this benefit to what it would have been had it stayed in step with retirement pension this November." At face value, Mr Jenkin's statement implied that invali-

dity pensioners would receive

Invalidity pension pledge given of 15 per cent more than retirement pensioners. The Social Security (No 2) Bill, now in standing committee, proposes to give the Government power to reduce by 5 per cent increases necessary fully to price protect invalidity pensions and short-term benefits in each of

the next two years. A 5 per cent cut is already proposed for this year as an interim measure until the benefits affected can be brought into tax in 1983. But ministers have admitted that 400,000 invalidity pensioners, more than two thirds of the total, would not pay tax if the benefit was tax-able now.

able now.

That has led disability organizations to protest both at what they described as an "unfair lavy" on the long-term sick and disabled,

Mr Jenkin's announcement

Labour members of the standing committee said that it would still be unfair to subject invalidity pensioners to the 5 per cent cut this year.
Organizations for the disabled said that it was the only logical step for Mr Jenkin.
"It would have been scanda-

lous if he had not given this assurance". Mr Peter Mitchell, head of research at the Royal Association for Disability and Rehabilitation, said. It is no great concession if

they are going to put invalidity pensions back to square one. It simply means that they are not taking the money away twice", he said.

Labour MPs were preparing last night to press a series of amendments designed to exclude from the proposed 5 per cent

cut all people receiving benefits below the tax threshold.

Blow out' cuts steelmaking at Llanwern

Steelmaking at Llanwern, in South Wales, will be severely reduced for at least a week after a "blow out" yesterday at the No 3 blastfurnace, which is one of Britain's higgest is one of Britain's biggest. The accident occurred when molten iron and slag exploded

out of the hearth which was recommissioned earlier this month after the three-month steel strike. Although the blast was heard for miles around, no one was injured.

Nuclear experts study chance of catastrophe

By Pearce Wright Science Editor

The hazards of placing a liquid gas terminal close to the installation for handling waste nuclear fuels at Barrow-in-Furness are being assessed by the safety and reliability division of the Atomic Energy Authority.

An interim report on the development says a substantial spillage during unloading of hydrocarbon condensate "could possibly result in fire engulf-ment of a ship unloading spent nuclear fuel flasks at the facili-ties of British Nuclear Fuels in the same basin".

The safety experts believe the nuclear fuel containers would withstand such an inci-Before planning approval is

given the local authority has agreed to consider submissions rom the Greenpeace organiza-tion, the Political Ecology Research Group and the Barrow environmental action group, which have been working to-gether in analyzing the hazards. The consequences of shipborne fire are not in dispute between British Nuclear Fuels and the environmental groups. The difference between them is that the fuel company believes the sequence of events leading to such incidents is too unlikely to be credible.

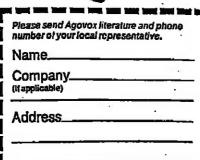
Conversely, the Political Ecology Research Group and Greenpeace argue that even a million-to-one chance of an argi-

million-to-one chance of an accident is intolerable

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Wales 'faces unparalleled austerity'. From Tim Jones weekend conference of the tion in one year of tion in one year of 40 per cent of jobs in steel in Walcs will take place in areas which have Wales TUC, where a host of resolutions will call for all out above average unemployment For every 10 jobs lost in steel, three more would disappear in related industries, making a total of 25,000 redundancies if

This decade will be one of unparalleled austerity and record unemployment in Wales unless government economic policies are changed, according to a survey released yesterday by the Institute of Economic Research at the University College of Wales, at Bangor. The survey, commissioned for BBC Wales, forecasts that un-

Royal Academy hanging day: Members of the hanging committee at work on some of

the 3,091 selected exhibits from which the Academy's summer exhibition will be created.

They are (left) Frederick Gore, William Scott, Leonard Rosoman, Ruskin Spearand Ian

Pollution Act, and Mr Ivor Thorne, the council's clerk and chief officer, said afterwards that he had been given to

understand that a formal plan-uing application would also be

submitted.
Mr Thorne said he was not

aware that the site had been

According to Dr Cadwaladr, however, only three years ago the council sought the NCC's advice on the importance of the

site and was granted a compul-sory purchase order after a public inquiry.

industrial action to prevent the British Steel Corporation from negotiating 19,000 redundancies at Shotton, Llanwern and Port

A resolution from the engineering workers' union urges a campaign " to stop the destruction of the steel industry, thereby preventing the devasta-tion of the whole of the Welsh

employment will have almost economy".

doubled to 172,000 by 1983

The figures come before the report that the proposed reduc-

If the Government altered its economic policies based on monetary restraint and a reduction in the Public Sector bor-rowing requirement, immediate prospects would be

British Steel's plans

implemented.

Radio frequency clash angers Manx engineers

the award of a radio frequency to the Isle of Man to enable Manx Radio to broadcast at an internationally agreed min-imum signal strength.

The frequency, 1368 kHz on the medium strength in all

the medium-wave band, is also to be used by commercial stations at Swindon and Crawley and by BBC Radio Lincoln. The sticking point, which is to be threshed out by a delegation of six from the Isle of Man Broadcasting Commission when it meets senior Home Office officials in London today is there is no settlement our polibroadcasting in November.

Mr Ewan Leeming, chief
engineer of Manx Radio, explained yesterday: "We are
not covering the island pro
there is no settlement our poliwith the BBC and the IBA a
year ago but did not think fit
to tell us.

"It seems they wanted to
frustrate our ambition to run.
a bigit quality, commercially
viable station."

perly, particularly in the north, while we concede Swindon and Crawley we asked the Home Office to change Lincoln because it would have inter-fered with us, and us with

"We proved to the Home Office engineers that we could increase our signal strength to cover the island adequately and not affect their plans for Crawley and Swindon. But we coul dnot concede Lincoln."

Radio had been a vexed subject on the island for about arrange. We now discover the
twenty years, he said. "If
there is no settlement our poliwith the BBC and the IBA a

1368 frequency would probably stations after it was granted to They discovered that United

A Manx Radio spokesman said: "We aske dior an urgent meeting with the Home Office in January but April 30 was

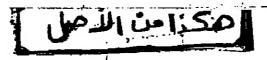
Mr Leeming said the last awarded to other meeting with the Home Office after it was granted to was on the island last November. "They have used every discovered that United trick in the book to stall an-Kingdom stations would, in other meeting. We say Lincoln act, use the frequency only when they saw Kadio Lincoln listed as a projected station in the 1980 BBC Handbook.

After Part of the State of Man is not part of the United Kingdom hur is a grown.

United Kingdom but is a crown dependency responsible for its own affairs. In 1952 it decided that broadcasting, like foreign affairs and defence, should be handled in London on its behalf. Now it is accusing the Home

Office of a breach of faith and of "behaving in the classic mould of colonial thinking."
The Home Office last night would not discuss the matters to be raised at today's meeting.





HOME NEWS

Miami air oute s awarded o Laker

: Arthur Reed

r Correspondent Lake: Airways has been lected by the Civil Aviation athority to open a scheduled rvice between London and jami in addition to British rways, which is already on

at route.
The authority preferred Laker
Air Europe, which also
plied for the licence ar a
aring in London which ended Monday. It gave no reasons the decision but said that it uld publish them soon.

Sir Freddie Laker, chairman Laker Airways, said yesterthat the new service would sin on May 22, using Donnell Douglas DC10 airers. Flights would be three reck, increasing to daily in

authority's decision ans that after years of tling with aviation depart-nts on both sides of the antic Sir Freddie has three portant routes to the United tes: between London and v York, Los Angeles and

· Miami. nted the right for which it lied, to fly to Miami from ichester, Preszwick, Scotland Gatwick airport, London

he authority appears, in ing its main decision, to e favoured an established ne with wide-bodied jets ady operating transatlantic ices, to Air Europe, which formed only last year and short-range Boeing 737s g package tours to Europe r Europe said at the hearthat it would have to lease bodied airliners for the ni route, but would buy type of aircraft later. It vesterday that it was coning an appeal.

vo British and two United s airlines are allowed to etween London and Miami, has become popular as toliday destination for ns, under an amendment leted recently to the Ber-

11 agreement. Freddie told the hearing he proposed single fares e route ranging from £200 my during the high seao 1100 standby in the low n. His airliners would not a first-class cabin.

art man 'out hospital soon

Keith Castle, the heart plant patient, who is back tworth hospital near Cantain is suffering from a mild case of pneumonia. e is expected to be dis-

Castle, aged 53 lives in London. He is longest ransplant patient. He had eration last August.

£5 licences proposed to fund national dog warden service

yesterday for the setting up of a national dog warden service paid for by a large increase in the annual licence fee.

The proposed increase in the tee from 371n to 53 would ensure that the cost of operating the scheme would not fall on ratepayers. The cost of a licence has been unchanged since 1878. The Joint Advisory Commit-

the joint Advisory Committee on Pets in Society, which announced the plan, said that Britain's estimated 5,500,000 dogs should wear an identity disc showing that they were licensed and dog wardens should be given the right to inspect licences.

It said that the aim of the It said that the aim of the service, which would be run by district councils, was to reduce the estimated 500,000 strays roaming the cauntry. It would also reduce the burden on the police, who deal with stray dom:

Government said in January that it intended to introduce a dog warden service in Northern Ireland. Now the to there wants a commitment it that it will introduce legislation in the next parliamentary session for a service covering the rest of the United Kingdom.

Miss Janet Fookes, Conservative MP for Plymouth, Drake, and vice-chairman of the com-mittee, said when announcing the proposals in London yesterday: "We believe a dog warden service allied to an increase in the dog licence would be the most practical way of dealing with the problem.

A campaign was launched pesterday for the setting up of a national dog warden service aid for by a large increase in the annual licence fee.

The present licence fee was ludicrous, as the cost of collecting it far outweighed the receipts and it was estimated that half of the dogs in the country were not licensed, the said.

In places were no dog warden service existed the amount of time and money spent by the Royal Society for the Preven-tion of Crucity to Animals was enormous.

The campaigners claim that there is public concern over stray dogs, which they say cause about 1,800 road accidents a year, are responsible for livestock worrying resulting in the death of about 6,000 farm animals a year, and cause extensive fouling of parks and footpaths.

Under the scheme a dog would have to be licensed when it first changed hands or at the age of six months. £10,800 bill: Three dog owners

who were taken by Burnley Borough Council to the High Court over the right to walk their animals in local parks were sent a bill yesterday for The sum represents the council's costs in the action nearly three years ago when a High Court judge upheld a by-law

banning dogs and ordered the three owners to pay the coun-

cil's casts.

The three, Mr Kenneth Spencer. Mrs Mavis Thornton and Frank Clifford, have already paid nearly £10,000 for their defence. Most of it was raised . from other dog lovers.

Bristol riot inquiry will look for remedies

From Our Correspondent

A top-level local investiga-tion into the rior at St Paul'a, Bristol, announced in the Com-mons by Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, will begin

tumorrow.
The 16-member committee, set up jointly by Avon County Council and Bristol City Council, will six in private to seek ways of preventing similar trouble and improving conditions in St Paul's.

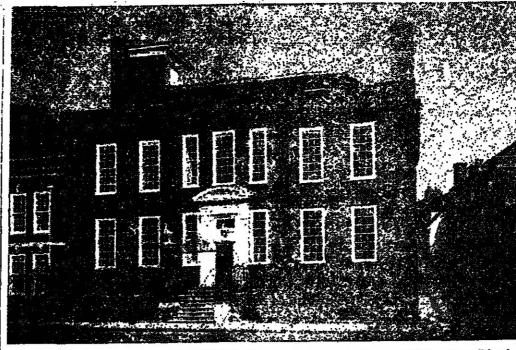
Miss Carmen Beckford, who will represent the Commission for Racial Equality, said yes-terday that she plans to call a meeting of all young people living in St Paul's to consider their needs.

"We have already had one meeting, when we investigated what happened on the night of the riots", she said. Back-up arrangements: Police chiefs and senior Home Office officials will also tomorrow dis-cuss the aftermath of the Bristol riot and the need for fast back-up from neighbouring police forces if unexpected pub-lic disorder arises (the Press

Association reports). Mr Whitelaw told the Com-mons that he had asked his senior officials, with Sir David McNee, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, and the Associa-tion of Chief Police Officers in England and Wales, to examine arrangements for handling spontaneous public disorder.

Mr Whitelaw made clear that

in no circumstances would be be prepared to contemplate "no-go" areas.



£150,000 restoration appeal: Pallant House, Chichester, for which an appeal for £150,000 has been made so that it can be restored and opened to the public. Built about 1712 for a wine merchant, it is considered an outstanding example of a Queen Anne town house. For the past fifty years or so it has

been used as offices by Chichester District Council, which has agreed to make it available for a display of paintings and period furniture, including a collection belonging to Dr Walter Hussey, former Dean of Chichester. An estimated £70,000 is needed for the first phase of the restoration,

Drugs centre needs £70,000 to survive

By Stewart Tendler

City Roads, a London centre for helping young drug abusers, may find itself homeless unless £70,000 can be found to buy its rented property. The absence of the centre would leave few facilities for barbiturate and alcohol addices.

pital treatment, returning to the passed through it. streets and overdosing again. Britain's addiction treatment

Run from two adjoining houses in north London, the centre was established to pro-

were overdosing, receiving bos- more than 1,200 addicts have The owners of the property

policy is geared to beroin and cocaine abusers, leaving little room for bachiturate users.

want to sell it when the lease expires in the autumn. City Roads has first refusal but has to raise about \$70,000. The centre was intended as a threeyear eexperiment with finance from the London Borough Asso-The centre began work two vide residential care and a ciation and the Department of years ago to help addicts who referall system. Since 1978 Health and Social Security.

Sailors told they are too fat to be afloat

From Our Correspondent Portsmouth

British sailors are too fat and unfit because they drink and smoke too much and get the wrong sort of food, one of Britain's leading experts on diet

Britain's leading experts on diet claimed yesterday.

Dr Geoffrey Taylor, of Ilminster, Somerset, who has made an extensive study of diet over 30 years, was speaking bluntly to over a hundred Royal Navydoctors at the Institute of Naval Medicine at Portsmouth.

He told them: "You have a horrible history of neglect of nutrition and if Lord Nelson had not had the foresight to tackle the problem of scurry with fresh fruit you would not have won the Battle of Trafal-

He also said that Captain Scott's ill fated expedition to the South Pole failed largely because of scurry due to poor

The doctor said that in the Royal Navy there were many cases of cuncer of the mouth, caused by excessive smoking; cirrhois of the liver, from excessive alcohol; and accidents, again probably caused by drink,

He told the naval doctors? who are starting research into those issues: "All this is bound to affect efficiency in a highly technological service, and you have a duty to yourselves and to the nation to solve it.

"If you are going to run a modern ship, with all its sophisticated equipment, you should not drink certainly not for some time before going on duty."

Lassa fever scare at public school From Our Correspondent Bristol Staff and pupils at Clifton

College, a preparatory school in Bristol, were under medical ob-servation yesterday after a boy aged 10 had been taken to hospital with suspected Lassa

fever.

The boarder had come into contact with nine class mates and staff after flying to Gatwick from Lagos on Friday. He had been on holiday in Nigeria. where his father works as an

After he had arrived at the school the boy, who has not been named, complained of a high temperature and was taken to the sanitorium, and then to a £150,000 isolation ward at Ham Green Hospital, near Bristol, on Monday.

Bristol, on Monday.

Doctors, led by Dr Ronald Walley, a tropical diseases con-53 lives in sultant, have taken blood the is samples from the boy, who is surviving shrouded in a plastic tent. The results of tests are expected in three or four days.

stival Hall tries to stem le of ticket touts

ir Music Reporter Festival Hall in London icreased its effort to curthe activities of ticket who cluster round the Eank concert balls before ularly popular concerts. hall's latest monthly are carries a warning to rtgoers about the touts: y aim to sell tickets for Bank events at double, often after circulating rumours that tickets are vailable at the box office.

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Concertgoers are urged by the management not to sell spare tickets to tours, but to spare tickets to touts, our to return them to the box office, which will try to resell them. For some events, especially those involving pop stars, the foyer area is thronged with touts. A hall official said that when there were large numbers

when there were large numbers
the police were asked to move
them along, but although cooperative, the police were not
always available.

"While people are still mugs
enough to buy tickets from the
touts there is not much we can
do about stopping them", he
added.

eboat man is noured for ina B rescue

Kenneth Voice, coxswain Shoreham lifeboat, has bonoured for the rescue people from the Greek ship, Athina B, which ran id on Erighton beach in

rescue operation lasted its and during it a wave the lifeboat so high that shed down on top of the

wain Voice has been ed the silver bravery of the Royal National

at Institution. RNLI also announced lay that a silver medal en awarded to Mr Trevor d, coxswain of Padstow & in Cornwall, which was ed last December in con-described, as the worst ng memory to aid the freighter, Skopelos Sky.

Arab remanded on Libyan murder charge

An Arab was remanded in custody yesterday to appear at Lambeth Magistrates' Court. Lambeth Magistrates' Court.
London, tomorrow charged with
murdering Mr Mahmoud Abdu
Salam Nafa, a Libyan solicitor,
at Ennismore Gardens, Kensington, London, last Friday.
Mabrook Ali Mohammed elGidal, aged 29, of Queensway,
west London, who appeared at
Horseferry Road Magistrates'
Court, also faces three charges
under the Firearms Act involving possession of a .38 Smith

ing possession of a .38 Smith and Wesson revolver and five rounds of ammunition.

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80,000 fire damage at Mional Trust priory

Swald was domaged

Correspondent agent, said: "They performed miracles and the firemen did a criory, an eighteenth tremendous job containing the said in the break ancestral home of fast room, which was destroyed, contained some of the more spateday. Valuable paintings and Chippen-

Oswald, was domated contained some of the more specified and antique furnished dale furniture.

Damage A bedroom above with its fed to exceed £500,000, that sixty firemen the early morning and prevented it from rooms were affected by smoke. The priory was presented to the started in the break in the National Trust in 1952. It is started from the Marion rouse rooman, who houses a matchless collection of le alarm. Domestic furniture and 400 paintings. E evacuated but re- Lord St Oswald was in Londard to the state workers to don on House of Lords business some af the cornness but returned home when told of the fire. He described the resident it as "a disaster"

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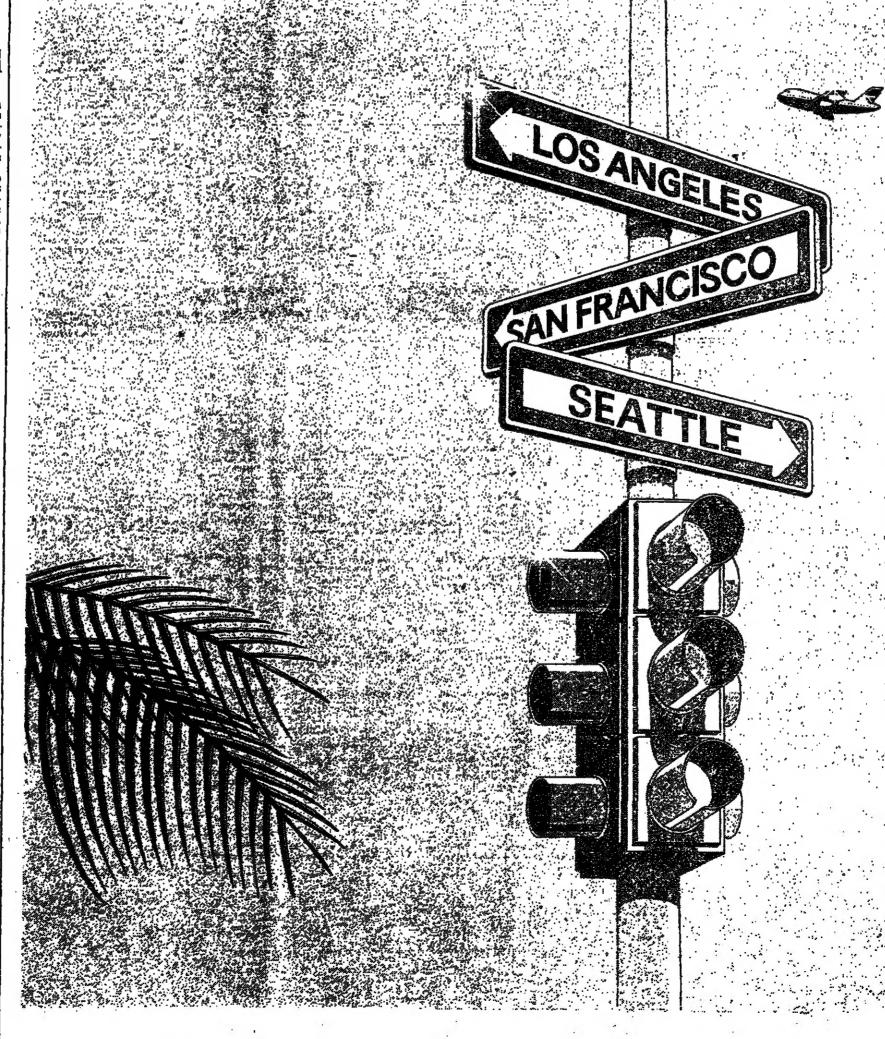
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dragging our heels.





Durable arrangements Widespread support for Mrs Thatcher's firm stand on EEC budget could not be found

Regret that it had proved impossible to make more progress on the internal problems of the EEC was expressed by Mrs Margaret Thatcher, the Prime Minister, in asporting on the outcome of the meeting of the European Council in Luxembours. In spite of intensive efforts to

In spite of intensive efforts to reach a satisfactory compromise on the United Kingdom's contribution to the EEC budget, she said it proved impossible in the time at the disposal of the EEC heads of government to find an acceptable combination of both amount and distribution.

arrington, the Foreign Secretary, attended the meeting with her, said it took place against the background of a sombre international situation of which all of them in Luxembourg were acutely con-

The first part of our discussion was therefore (she continued) directed to the problems of Afglianistan and Iran. On both of manusari and tran. On both of these we were in total agreement.

We reaffirmed the absolute necessity for every government in the world, whatever its political attitude, to respect the charter of the United Nations and the principles of international law.

This requires in Afghanistan that Soviet forces should withdraw, and in Iran that the American hostages in Iran that the American hostages should be released, without further delay. So long as these two illegal situations remain, the world will continue to live in the shadow of potentially grave developments.

I am sure it was right, therefore, for the European Council to repeat the earlier suggestion which the Nine had made for a political solution to the problem of Afghanistan. This would permit that country to resume its traditional neutrality and non-alignment.

Equally it was right for the Council to reaffirm the decisions on Iran taken last week by the Nine Foreign Ministers, while at the same time assuring the Secretary-General of the United Nations of our full support for his efforts to find a political solution to that problem.

The second part of our meeting involved discussion of Britzin's net contribution to the Community fudget and a number of other guiget and a number of other community questions which had leen associated with it. For this beston, Mr Peter Walker, the Ethister of Agriculture attended a strenged of the Council of Agriculture Ministers on Sunday, That meeting continued the provious discussions on the proposed agricultural prices for 1980/81 and other agricultural questions.

other agricultural questions.

They reported to us that, with the messervations, the other eight to member states were ready to member states were ready to messerve in the messerve in the species of about 5 per cent, including 4 per cent on milk and sugar, at increase in the co-responsibility be achieved.

There were also fresh proposals on a common organization for sheepmest which the others were ready to approve. On our budget problem, there On our budget problem, there was broad agreement on the methods by which the Community would both reduce our contribution and increase the benefits to us from Community expenditure. We were able to make considerable progress on amounts but less on the duration of the arrangements.

A number of proposals were made including one which would have reduced our net contribution to £325m but for 1980 only. We were not able to agree on later years.

In spite of intensive efforts to reach a satisfactory compromise it In spite of intensive causes to reach a satisfactory compromise it proved impossible in the time at our disposal to find an acceptable combination of both amount and agricultural matters which our partners wanted to settle at the same time. These discussions revealed a number of difficulties

for Britain. feel justified in accepting. Those on sheepment contained features which would have been seriously disadvantageous and which we

could not accept.

We also reviewed the progress of discussions on a common fisheries policy. We all want to continue to make progress but it is clear that much more work needs to be done on this subject. I told my collea-gues that to be acceptable to us any solution must safeguard the vital interests of our fishing in-

we discussed the energy situa-tion in the Community and the problems caused by the 10-fold rise in international oil prices over the last eight years. We invited the Energy Council, first to examine what new measures may be necess-ary on oil supplies and, second, to review the current policies of member states on the replacement of oil by other fuels, on the de-velopment of nuclear power and on The Council intends to revert to

Venice.

I regret that it proved impossible to make more progress on the Community's internal problems. But since our partners have brought these several issues together, I believe it is understood that they cannot be dealt with unless at the same time the budget problem to coluct.

governments generally inviting respect for the charter of the United Nations and the principles of international law. She referred to the need for Soylet croops to withdraw from Afghanistan and that the American hostages should be released without delay. Both

of these are essential.

I take it from what she said that there was a third signal intended to be conveyed by that—that the Nine are opposed to military steps to bring about the release of the hostages and that they would therefore be exposed to such possible questions as the mining of the Straits of Hormuz.

Those are the kind of military operations it is just as essential to avoid as anything that has gone before. I do not take the view that some take that it was wrong in all circumstances to attempt to prise loose people who are held illegality. (Conservative cheers)

Mr. Martin Flammery (Sheffield, Mr Martin Plannery (Sheffield, Hillsborough, Lab)—Speak for yourself, (Interruptions)

Mr Caliaghan—I am speaking for myself and I have a feeling I am also speaking for a lot of other people in the country. Mr Flannery—He is speaking for the Tories. (Protests). Mr Callaghan-What is needed now, in view of the failure of the

now, in view of the failure of the operations over the last six months to secure the release of the hostages, is a new beginning. I welcome what she said about assuring the Secretary General of the United Nations of the full support of the Government and the House for his efforts to find a political solution. To my to secure the release of the hostages under the plare of television cameras day after day is impossible. We shall not do it that way or by military means. I hope that quiet diplomacy, whether by the Secretary General or anyone else who is qualified, can take over the media will give this subject somewhat of a rest to that diplomacy may play for To try to secure the release of

so that diplomacy may play its ir an has no right to hold them in any circumstances but as long as they are held in the full glare of publicity there will be every attempt to make the most of it. Is there any indication that Afghamistan is ready to resume its traditional neutrality and non-alignment?

alignment?
On the budget she was right
not to agree to a reduction for
one year only, although it was
1800m which is quite a lot of
money. Was she given any details
of the proposal that Chancellor
Schmidt is reputed to have made

ism?

Was there any indication of what we could have expected to get in the later years if we had accepted \$800m or theresboots for

accepted £800m or theresbouts for 1980?
Our trump card is the price freeze. We shall support her in not giving way on the freeze on agricultural prices until the budget issue is settled. If she follows that course and helps the President of the Council to try to seek a satisfactory ontcome we are bound to secure justice in this matter in the end. The present situation is not tolerable.

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She has had a frustrating visit. It has carried the procedure somewhat further. At the end of this frustrating period perhaps she realizes it was wrong of her to raise expectations as she did that this issue could be settled by last December, and if it was not settled in February, and if it was not settled then it would be settled in April.

April.

It is a much longer process than some of her followers seem to think. She discovered that. We hope she will succeed in the end. We believe she must as she has the united support of the Com-mons on this matter. Mrs Thatcher—On Iran, I confirm that taking his definition of military action, we would be against things like blocking the straits or mining. We did not discuss specific forms of military action. We would be against the things he mentioned.

As to his comments on Afghanistan, we have not been able to get specific indications from the people of that country and I do not see how we could as long as the present regime is still there with Soviet Union support. I am grateful to him for pointing out we managed to secure a promise of some £800m refund in one year which I regard as a very significant achievement. (Conservative cheers.)

When we came to discuss the second year we got into difficulty. It was clear we would get a substantial refund in the second year. stantial refund in the second year although they were not prepared to define it in a satisfactory way or continue it. I felt we could not go on having this argument of regular intervals and that it would be better to wait until we got a settlement where we could also agree on the duration. The agricultural prices settle-ment is a major card. We shall not get agreement on the agricul-nural prices settlement or any other major metter unless the budget problem is satisfactorily

consultation we could have with one another and across the Atlan-ic the better we believe it would be for all of is. We spent some time in trying to improve that consultation.

Mr Russell Johnston (Inverness, L)—Many people believe that the L)—Many people believe that the abrasive fashion in which she has conducted these negotiations has been damaging—(Conservative protests)—to Britain's real and best interests.

She said a reduction by ESSOm was significant. Would she agree that it was also a notable concession, particularly as the Germans and French are facing imminent elections? In the circumstances it would have been wise to have accepted this, provided she could have achieved budget restructuring on the basis of the GNP of a country—any country.

It is not the object of British It is not the object of British diplomacy to isolate Great British. Mrs Thatcher—Whatever the description of the methods, our partners were persuaded to offer the significant reduction to which he refers. Whatever the methods, in that respect it was prefy success-

reters. Whatever the methods, in that respect it was pretty successful. It was when it came to the duration and the other things they wanted along with that reduction—some of those things we could not accept. I hope he would not have urged us to accept them either. Sir Derek Walker-Smith (East

Sir Derek Walker-Smith (Rast Hertfordshire, C)—Mrs Thatcher is to be congratulated on her firm stance and on having spoken so effectively for Britain in the course of this conference. (Conservative cheers).

Would she confirm that she will pursue with unabated vigour and enthusiasm the radical restructuring of the common agricultural enthusiasm the radical restricturing of the common agricultural
policy and the Community budger
which is vital to any satisfactory
solution of this problem?

Trs Thatcher—I agree that both
of those are vital to a solution,
in particular the restructuring of
the common agricultural policy.

It was interesting that with the
proposals for a price settlement

Rif Dennis Walters (Westbury, C). That came before us, far from every issue by friends in not the budget those proposals would have amounted to an increase of do on every lasue. While fully understanding the American exasperation over the hostages and the patience shey have shown over many months, errait foreign policy in a crucial area is unsatisfactory. Joint consulcation to formulate a united strategy is essential in western interests.

Mrs. Thatcher—There were clear indications from each and every one of the European Council that we must stay solid in our support of the United States. There was to the a review of the United States. There was to be a review of the United States. There was to seemed sensible, and both the President of France and Chancel-tof the United States. There was to be a review of the United States. There was to be a review of the United States. There was to seemed sensible, and both the President of France and Chancel-tof the United States are more consultation we could have with the proportion and we could have with the proportion and we should have that review in 1981.

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There have been so many attempts at restructuring and review that it, was not enough to place one's faith in a promise of a review. One wanted a longer duration of the agreement.

Mr. Enoch Powell (South Down, Off UU)—A nation which is preponderably and increasingly opposed to United Kingdom membership of the EEC—(interruptions and cheers)—was proud and relieved that our Prime Minister declined to fall into the trap of prejudicing the agricultural and fishery interest in this country in order to obtain a purely temporary alleviation on the budget.

Miss Thatcher—That was much in

porary allevization on the budget.

Mrs Thatther—That was much in
my mind. I was being offered one
year with a possibility of a second
year for permanent rebates on
steepment and permanent principles to determine the future of
fisheries policy. To offer something permanent in return for
something temporary is never a
good bargain.

Mr Raymond Whitney (Wycombe. good bargain.

Mr Raymond Whitney (Wycombe, C)—In seeking a resolution of this most difficult budget problem it is important to avoid the mistakes of the renegotation so closely associated with Mr

Callaghan.

We must find a solution which is both fair and durable and avoid the squabble which goes on year by year and month by month. There are many other wital issues on which the concentration of the heads of government must be

fixed.

Mrs Thatcher—That has been our objective. The solution offered for the first year, had it persisted, would have been acceptable. It would atil have left us the second largest per contributor to the Community, but would have given us large refunds back. We were trying to give an element of dynamism to that particular refund.

I wholly agree that we must secure a settlement that is likely to endure as long as the problem itself or have absolute guarantees that there would be a review and

that we should not if we accept an interim settlement suddenly have to return to a much larger

Mr Robert Cryer (Keighley, Lab)

Are the consultations or the discussion about future consultation
with America wishful thinking, or were genuine arrangements entered into with America for consultation about America's military action? American military nuclear hardware is scattered all over Europe. It is vital we should be consulted over its potential use.

On the question of solving the budget problem, does the Government have any contingency plans for withdrawing from the Common Market, or in the final analysis can we be walked all over and will we be bound to accept deals which are unacceptable to this country? The nation is getting tired of our membership. Mrs Thatcher—On consultation, there are frequent contacts be-

there are frequent contacts between ministers both within
Europe and across the Atlantic.
The Foreign Secretary will be
going shortly and there are regular
contacts through our ambassadors.
We would like to step up consultation at a higher level and have
not yet agreed on a regular method
of doing that. There are no plans
for withdrawing from the EEC.
(Conservative cheers).

Mr. Donnias Lag. (Wandsworth

Mr Donglas Jay (Wandsworth, Bartersea, North, Lab)—There is little chance of this country getting a lasting and fair deal from inside this grotesque organ-

ization.

Mrs Thatcher—I wholly disagree.
The fact is that we got nearer to
it this time than ever before. We
got a lot nearer at Dublin and
a lor nearer this time. I believe
that ultimately we shall be able
to get a favourable outcome.
The unanimity on international
matters was striking and was
extremely valuable at this difficult
time.

Mr Anthony Grant (Harrow, Central, C)—In view of the unanimity which Mrs Thatcher so skilfully achieved among her partiers on Afghanistan, will the Government, renew its effort to dissuade our athletes from participating in the flasco of the Moscow Games.

Moscow Games.

Mrs Thatcher—When one or two more nations have made their views clear, and there is mounting opposition on the part of governments and legislative assemblies to going, and when I saw Pastor Georgi Vins this morning everything he told me, showed how unwise it would be to go because it would show that they were endorsing the policy of the Moscow Government. We shall make a further approach to Sir Denis Follows to reconsider

the position in time for him to reply to the formal invitation.

Mr Ambony Wedgwood. Benn (Bristol, South-East, Lab)—The resignation of Secretary of State Vance gives grounds for believing that there are people advising the President who might push him towards military action, either a second rescue or something more direct.

friends to give the sort of advice how to the United States that President Eisenhower gave to Sir

Anthony Eden at the time of Sucz and tell him that it would be very ill-advised to engage in any mili-tary action of any kind including an attempt to release the hostages which might end in further trag-edy or something worse for world peace.
Mrs Thatcher—We deeply regret
the resignation of Mr Vance, although it is wholly a matter for
him and the President. He is a
wonderful person to work

him and the President. He is a wonderful person to work with ...

Mr Norman Atkinson (Haringey, Tottenham, Lab.)— That is hypocrisy. (Conservative protests.)

Mrs Thatcher—I was expressing exactly what I feel. I really wish to pay a very great tribute to cooperation with him and to his work. We shall miss him.

I agre that we owe our judgment to our friends; of course we do, and we do not withhold it in any way. We made our views on military action clear at the Council of Ministers.

Mr Nicholas Winterton (Macclesfeld, C)—The best way of ensuring that imilitary intervention in Iran is not considered is for European countries and America to stick rigidly together.

Mrs Thatcher—I wholly agree with Mr Winterton's views which were echoed all round the Council of Ministers. We are trying to do everything possible to support America in securing the release of the hostages.

The Ambassador is back in Teberan and I hope he will make an approach to Bani-Sadr to make our views known. It is easy to condemn actions to release the bostages but difficult to put firward proposals to secure their release. We can only go on with political and diplomatic action. We shall do that jointly.

Mr. David Stoddart (Swindon, Lab)—Is Ir not becoming clear to

We shall do that jointly.
Mr. David Stoddart (Swindon, Lab)—Is it not becoming clear to her that Britain's economy and institutions are incompatible with those of the EEC?
Mrs Thatcher—It is wholly in our interest to be in and remain in the EEC and to be part of the biggest trading block in the world. We secure a lot of investment from overseas that would not come in unless we were part of the EEC.

Too big a gap for Britain to accept

account for three years and for

Minister found unacceptable in

account for three years and for appropriate Councils for the time the next two years something rather less.

It would appear that our net contribution this year to the budget would be something between 1,700m and 1,300m ua. That would leave a gap of 700 to 900 us. Mrs Thatcher and I thought that was too big a gap for us to accept having regard to the economic position of the country and the net contribution made by other countries.

The second alternative was a ceiling on our contribution in 1980 to rescue the hostages because I think that was a legitimate operation. I would not think the a teiling of 800m us on our contribution, which was the figure which Mr Callaghan when Prime appropriate Councils for the time

Flexible approach to regional aid policy

When the committee stage of the ladu-try Bdi was resumed, Viscount Long, a Lord in Waiting, mored a new clause (Power for the Corporation to borrow) to enable the English Industrial Estates Corporation to borrow in any current. the English Industrial Estates Corporation to borrow in any currency areas, from the EEC Commission or from the European Investment Bank.

He said as the Bill stood he corporation had no borrowing powers. As an instrument of regional policy, the corporation had been financed from the fund by the Department of Industry. It would continue to it so financed except in so far as the private sector might provide funds for its activities.

This was a great step forward as the corporation was originated in 1930 and only recently snonsored by the Government. Now free enterprise could help build up confidence in small industries.

Lord Lee of Newton (Lab), for the was going to result in an increase of small firms and assist in getting anemployment down. The new clause was agreed to.

Lord Bruce of Bonington (Lab), for the Opposition, moved that Clause 14 (Regional development grants) be deleted. The clause provides that grant should no longer be payable in respect of expenditure incurred in

providing buildings and works qualifying premises in intermediate areas, mining works in develop oreas, and machinery and in development areas used in construction activities.



Grants (Variation of Prescribed Percentages) Order 1979 which reduced the rate of grant payable in respect of the development

Viscount Trenchard.Minister of

The amendment was rejected by 122 votes to 77—Government majority, 45.

share of a company where this was absolutely necessary. The amendment would ratke no difference to the policies pursued by Sir Keith Joseph but it was right that this safeguard should be on the statute book.

as a means of increasing state con-trolover industry would at least have to obtain Parliament's con-

The effect of the growing crisis on the regions had been paichy, therefore it was not wise to freeze the existing form of regional aid as reflected in the clause.

State for Industry, said the Government was not doing less in the areas of greatest need than the previous Labour administration. It wanted flexibility to change the grading of areas. Within the economic situation, the Govern-ment was making the most sensible use of resources. It had adequate flexibility and was bringing in other aids to try to start rebuilding the sound growth of these areas.

It would ensure that any future Secretary of State who wished to use the acquisition of share cipital

After repeating the Mrs
Thatcher's statement in the House of Lords, Lord Carrington, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs, described the two alternatives on offer yesterday over Britain's budget contribution.

One (he said) was a proposal that there should be a rebate to this country of 1,000m units of account for three years and for account for three years and for

He said the clause was estensibly quite harmless, but the Govern-ment should have left the matter as the was, where, by laying instru-ments before the House under the provisions of the Industry Act flexibility. Much water had gone under the bridge since last year when the Bill was thought up.

A Government amendment to clause 15 (Assistance pader section 8 of the Industry Act 1972), which would require that assistance in the form of a loan or shart supital thould only be given if the Secre-tary of State was satisfied it could not appropriately be given in any other way was agreed to. Viscount Long Sald it was impor-tant that the Secretary of State should only be able to acquire a

The committee stage was con-

A flagrant breach of international

The Prime Minister said at question time that a rescue operation could be distinguished from mili-tary intervention, and Labour pro-tests were met with Conservative

icheers. theers. Miss Joan Lestor (Eton and Slough, Lab) had asked Mrs Thatcher to answer the questions which, she said, had been left unasswered in the defence debate on Monday, namely whether she could confirm renors that the Diese confirm reports that the Diego Garcia base had been used by America in the rescue attempt in Iran, and whether an assurance had been given to President Carter that Britain would not recover. military intervention there. Mrs Thatcher (Barnet, Finchley, C)—We have not given specific assurances, but the European Council of Ministers made clear that it did not believe that military intervention would help to secure the hostages' release. Equally, a roscue operation can be distinguished from a military intervention.

I do not want to get myself into a position where I have to confirm or deny movements from allied Mr Martin Flannery (She(Sield, Hillsborough, Lab)—The piece of electoral military adventurism entered into by the Americans in Iran has deepened the world situa-tion. The Prime Minister described hat adventurism as consigeous that adventurism as courageous. Will she not realize that had those American troops got near the ombassy there would have been a major shoot-out with a large number of dead?

Will she not withdraw her support from such military adventures in the interests of world peace? (Conservative interruptions.) Mrs Thatcher—May I ask Mr Flan-nery to realize that 50 hystages have been held in Iran in flagrant

efforts to peaceful means to release them. release them.

Mr Andrew Faulds (Warley, East, Lab)—Will Mrs Thatcher pruder that Brzeziuski (President Carter's National Security Adviser) in a television interview repudiated the dangers of dissension in Iran. No such thing is happening. He is hoping to bring that about as an excuse for military intervention.

Will she make it clear that we in this country will have no part in his country will have no part in this country will have no part in such lunatic intentions on the part of such a dangerously powerful man. (Laubour cheers.) Mas. (Laubour cheers.)
Mrs Thatcher—I think there ma
well be a danger of cession of some
of the Iranian Peoples. It would be
contrary to the interests of the
Vest if that happens and I kope
that Iran will retain her unity. But
this is a matter-for internal affairs
in Iran.
With regard to military action, I
have made my own views very

Servicemen to get help with house purchase and cheap rail travel

the private and public sectors.
Acceptance by the Government was

in accordance with the commitment given last year to maintain the pay of the armed forces at the level of their counterparts.

The Government was looking at

ine it easier for them to accept the

of Defence for the Aoyal Navy, opening the second day's debate on the Defence White Paper, said the Government must reconsider the traditional practice of not allowing Servicewomen to carry arms but it did not intend employing women in primarily combat roles. The House was discussing a Gov-

arnment motion approving the Statement on Defence Estimates, considered with it reaffirmed commitment to the proper defence of Britain through membership of Nato and paid tribute to the men and women serving in the armed forces and their civilian counterfor Britain's defence during the 1980s; committed the Government to increases in defence expenditure for in excess of forecasts for the growth of the economy; and offered no new initiatives towards multilateral mutual disarmament in the nuclear and conventional

the country was to make the best use of women the Government must reconsider the traditional practice of not allowing them to The Government (he said) appreciates that this is a sensitive involving far reaching thanges, and in reaching a decision we wish to take full account of the views expressed in the House and elsewhere. The proposals in the White

Paper are a basis for discussion and it is too early to say when a decision will be taken but I make it clear that we are only considering arming for limited defensive purposes and have no intention employing women in primarily combat roles.

When it took office the Govern-ment found that alarming gaps in

ment found that alarming gaps in highly trained manpower were having direct operational consequences. In all Services there was a haemmorrhage of alarming proportions of highly trained middle rank officers and NCOs exercising hierright to leave early. Recruiting was not buoyant, either.

We are still (he said) not out of the wood though today's situation is incomparably better than a year ago. The effect of pay improvement had been dramatic, though this was not a cure-all.

soon to announce a new scheme for the Army and RAF and some further improvements to the Navy's existing scheme. There were in some areas a large number of empty married quarters surplus to requirement. In line with the Government's overall housing policy it was hoped to introduc ea scheme soon to give Servicemen the opportunity to buy those surplus quarters on preferen-tial terms similar to the discounts There was a particular aspect of Service life, and it was especially true of the Navy and Marines, of a significant amount of private travelling which had to be undertaken in the United Kingdom.

Bill to curb whisky exports Mr Dennis Canavan (West Stirling-shire, Lab) was given leave to exports were stopped and there bring in a Bill to control the exports by bottle exports.

export of Scotch whisky. He said there was concern in the industry about the rapid growth of exports of whisky in bulk rather than in bottle, which had a damaging effect.

It was estimated that 6,000 extra

Jobs could be created plus £99m 2

of bulk malt.

The Scotch Whisky (Export Control) Bill was read a first time.

public started to be more selective about choosing brands and operated a boycott against those companies involved in the export

Mir John Roper, an Opposition spokesman on detence (Farnworth, Lab) said one in 12 school leavers was going into the armed forces. By the end of the decade that figure would have to be about one in nine. This had considerable implications for recruimment policy and possibly for pay.

It strangthened the case for mak-United Kingdom Services personnel on March 1 was 320,682. This compared with a "low" of 314,000 last Junt. 314,000 last Junt.

The Prime Minister had today confirmed that the Government accepted in full the recommendations of the Armed Forces Pay Review Body. The main feature was an increase in the military salary of broadly 17 per cent to 20 per cent for officers and 15 per cent for other ranks, all with effect from April 1, 1980. The average increase was 16.8 per cent. It strengthened the case for making greater use of reserve forces. It was important that all employers should understand the role of the reserve forces and make arrangements for them to be released for service. There had been some evidence they uptilic sector amployers

dence that public sector employers had not always been as helpful as they might in making people avail-able for service in the reserves. It was not extravagant when The Opposition were disappointed that in the White Paper there was relatively listle reference to disarmament and arms control. They believed ther was a common interest between the West and the Soviet Upion in attempting to achieve security at a lower cost if this could be achieved by a mutual agreement which could be verified. ways to extend the help it could give to Service personnel wishing to buy their own homes while mak-Britain was spending some 24 per cent of her defence budget on equipment, more than any of her Nato European allies. The paradox

was that they seemed to be spend-ing more and yet having in some respects worse equipped force: The complaint from Labour and implicitly from the select committee was that the Government had falled to set out clearly its priorities for the 1980s. The White Paper spoke of a coherent and stable defence effort in the years to come but failed to show how this would be achieved.

The Opposition did not see how, even if the Secretary of State was able to maintain in do increasingly difficult economic environment his difficult economic environment his projected 3 per cent growth per amum, he would be able to carry forward all the commitments required. It would have been far better for the Government to have set down its choices than to have pretended that it could do everything.

We must (be said) be properly defended, but it is not fair to those who serve us in the Armed Forces, to the crizens of this country or to our allies in Nato to pretend that we can carry out a set of tasks which clearly demand more than the resources we have available.

Private Bills The Greater Manchester Passenger Transport Bill and the Greater London Council (Money) (No. 2) Bill were read a second time.

Preliminary notices House of Commons
Today at 2.50: Employment Bill, conclusion of renaining stages.
House of Lords
Today 21 2.50: Debates on Post Office and legal aid in care proceedings concerning luveniles. Local Government Grants (Ethnic Groups) Big. second grading.

Full investigation into abortion abuses

State for Health, said during ques-

Air Michael McNair-Wilson (Newbury. C) had asked whether the minister was satisfied with the working of the Abortion Act, 1967: Dr Vaughan (Reading, South, C)-I have no evidence of the extert today of the sort of abuses which were examined by the Late com-mittee, but I accept that there is no room for complacency in this. If he has a particular matter in mind, I shall be pleased to con-sider it Mr McNair-Wilson—Is he satisfied with the upper age limit at which an abortion might take place under the Act? Does he think that the upper age limit does provide attention to advances in medical spices.

At Southmend Hospital, Bristol, they are having great success with

that we art now asking doctors and nurses to take part in the death of children between 24 and 25 weeks. Dr Vaughan-The medical profestions will be fewer and increasingly confined to those where there are the strongest medical risks. Mr Laurence Pavitt (Brent, South, Lab)—Would he give a more unequivocal reply on the Lane report?

Most MPs and the midical profession are satisfied that the Lane

The less we tinker about with this basic important point of legislation the better it will be for mothers and children mothers and children.

Dr Vaughen—I am keeping a careful watch on the situation. In recent months, for example, I have withdrawn approval from one

Late abortions would be increasingly confined to those where there were the strongest medical risks.

Dr. Vaughan—This is a matter for them to normal and independent from other clinics and closed one the leader of the House. There is a grave danger advisory bureau, all of which I have been six private members. There is a grave danger that we art now asking doctors and considered unsatisfactory.

Bills, additionally there have been six private members. Bills, additionally there have been six private members. I have also taken action to arrange the withdrawal of mislead-ing advertising by an advertising

> I have madt sure that every abuse that has come to our notice has been fully investigated. Sir Nigel Fisher (Kingston upon Thames, Surbiton, C)—Amend-ment Rills have been introduced into this. House by private-members year after year and have a il failednotonthemeritsbutfor all failed not on the merits but for lack of Parliamentary time.

If he does not wish to legislate

on this controversial subject, which I can understand, will be at

least see, with the Leader of the

least see, with the Leader of the House and the Chief Whip, that there are adequate facilities for time next sersion so that we can resolve this problem once and for

Bills, additionally there have been two 10-minute rule Bills which weredefeated: The House have had an opportunity to consider this in a 10-minute rule Bill a few days Mr Stanley Orme, chief Opposition st okesman on social services (Sal-ford, West, Lab)—There is a great deal of concern about the Govern-ment's articude to the Preznancy Advisory Service. Will he under-take that he will not impede legit-imate advice to people asking for

> Dr Vaughan-Yes, I gladly give that undertaking. We wish to see proper counselling carried out and the needs of mothers at an anxions time about their pregnancy properly consulted. What we do not wish to see are abuses, by various maneouvres and porcedures, of the intentions of the Abortion Act.

An assurance that the Government to reassure those who have intended to help people receiving expressed anxiety about our propotivalidity benefit was given by Mr sal. an assurance mat the Government intended to belp people receiving invalidity benefit was given by Mr Pairick Jenkin, Secretary of State for Social Services, during questions

Mr Jenkin's assurance

He said—I give the House this assurance about invalidity benefit: when it comes into tax, subject to the availability of resources, we shall put back this benefit to what in would have been had it stayed in step with the retirement pension this November.

Mr Jenkin (Redbridge, Wanstead and Woodford, C) had earlier said that in mid-1978, 557,200 people were receiving invalidity benefit. The extra cost of raking invalidity pension by the same percentage as redrement pension would be \$50m in a full year. in a full year.

Disablement Income Group (he added) expressing disastisfaction with the proposal to apply the 5 per cent abstement to invalidity benefit.

whose pension is taxed.

Mr. Donald Stawart (Western Isles, Scot Nat)—Tall us why the Government, having accepted the principle of increasing the retirement pension to try to keep pace with the cost of living, should not extend the same principle to this vulnerable section in greatest need?

Mr Jenkin—The Invalidity pen-sion has not been taxed though it is common ground on born sides that it should be; retirement pen-sions are taxable. Invalidity bene-fit, unlike other henefits affected by the 5 per cent abatement, is a lone-term benefit.

This will (he said) go a long way year.

on invalidity benefit

Mr Robin/Cook (Edinburgh, Central, Lab)—As invalidity benefit is well below the tax threshod, what possible jestification is there for saving f50m by docking the benefit of 5 per cent in lieu of texation? Mr Jenkin—It is not a majority but a minority of these beneficiaries who would not be subject to tax. Even with the lowest rate of the invalidity allowance, after the 5 per cent abatement an invalidity pensioner, will have a legher bone-fit than a retriement preprience. fit than a retirement pensioner whose pension is taxed.

Mr Jenkin then gave the assurance that invalidity benefit would be pur back in November to what it would have been bad it stayed in step

Mr Jack Ashley (Stoke on Trent, South, Lab)—The Government's proposal is shabby and shoddy. proposal is shabby and shoddy.

Mr Jenkin—Many countries face
the difficulty of maintaining the
level of increases in their social
security budgets. We have made
limited changes, limited reductions
while till leave our social
security budget growing at 2 per
cent a year on average over the
next few years. This is not meanminded.

Mr Albert McQuarrie (East Aber-deanshire, C)—It makes no dif-ference whether these people are a minority or a majority. They are those who must require aid. I have received a letter from the Mir Jenkin-Some time after 1982 taxation. The Government have also taken the view that there should be this interim scheme in

lieu of taxation. Mr Afred Mortis, an Opposition spokesman on health and social seturity (Manchester, Wythenshawe, Leb)—What he said about 1982 will do nothing to diminish the saffering of some of the most hard-pressed people in this country over the next two years.

Is he not concerned that the Disablement Income Group has described this policy as not only Mr Jenkin-I understand that MPs for jenkin—I understand that Mys feel a greate deal of articly about what the Government are proposing. He will know of the pressure of the public sector borrowing requirement. If we do not restore the balance in our economy, there is no hope of our being able to restore the prosperity on which the lower paid and the welfare of those he is concerned about depends. Mr Jeffrey Rocker, an Opposition spokesman on health and social security (Birmingham, Perry Barr, Lab)—What about the expenditure in that? (r Rocker thrust a copy of the defence White Paper on to the table in front of r Jenkin).

If we confine ourselves to the invalidity benefit, the expenditure which will be saved by the 5 per cent abatement is significantly less than the amount of expar revenue which would be raised if it were brought into proper taxation this

Wide range of factors in cruelty to children

correlation between the health of the country and how parents treated their children, Sir George Young, Under Secretary for Health and Social Security said. Mr Greville Janner (Leicester, West, Lab) asked what steps the

minister had taken to promote or to encourage cooperation and coordination between local authorities in connexion with child Sir George Young (Ealing, Acton, C)—While this is essentially a mat-ter for local authorities and other

departmental guidance in the past, and some further guidance is in Sir George Young (Ealing, Acton, C)—While this is essentially a mat-ter for local authorities and other hagmeles, te importance of col-laboration has been emphasized in departmental guidance in the past, and some further guidance is in

Mr Januer Has his attention been drawn to yesterday's report of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children indicating the problems of child abuse and child bettering are on the increase and art likely to increase further? In the light of that does he nor feel his answer is totally inadequate in that it in do way ensures that there will be help given to the society so that it may have the resources it needs to do

It was difficult to draw a clear the job properly with local auth-correlation between the health of orities? Sir George Young-I hope to address the annual meeting of the NSPCC on Thursday when I would like to respond to some of the points they have made in their

> I think it is difficult to draw a terms it is difficult to draw a clear correlation between the health of a country and the way parents treat their children. I think the underlying causes are far deeper and more complex than that. I welcome the growing number of parents who are seeking existance of the NSPCC and support services before their children are battered. I also welcome the preventive nature of their work.

Mr Peter Bottomley (Greenwich, Woolwich, West, C)—Will be take the opportunity when addressing the NSPCC of pointing our the news release about the report was misleading. If only one family in 20 abused

If only one family in 20 abused their children because of poverty the other. 19 families were not in want. Would be give further encouragement to bringing the NSPCC up to the level of the society protecting animals and birds by making it a royal society?

Sir George Young—While it is the case that economic pressures on families may be at the root of some incidents of abuse there are, as I think the NSPCC would be the first to recognize, a wide range of other factors such as immaturity, lack of preparedness for parenthood and preparedness for parenthood and also, an increase in incidents of alcoholism.

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EEC partners stunned by Mrs Thatcher's rejection of budget

ussels, April 29 Britain's eight EEC partners e still stunned by Mrs.
utcher's rejection yesterday
Luxembourg of what they
usidered an extremely
uerous reduction in the Brih contribution to the EEC

by general consent the sum-t meeting, in the words of Roy Jenkins, the President the European Commission, he "tantalizingly" close to agreement. At one point the er of a further £100m by or a thinder Libor by

Thatcher's partners might
be clinched the deal.

What went wrong? Many
ags went unexpected! right,
en the inauspicious augury
the preceding week's dispute
farm prices. President Circ r farm prices. President Gisd d'Estaing of France, in ticular, made huge conces-

essence the French idea that Britain's net contribu-should be held at the 1979 4—about £500m (compared the £1,100m forecast for year)-for the next three with a review at the end

he third year.
Ithough the level of contrion proposed was still too
i for Mrs Thatcher, the
ich scheme was clearly the t promising move in many

me were explored on the nd day. For Mrs Thatcher e were two principals nd day. For Mrs Thatcher e were two principal con'ations: a reduction in the sh contribution had to be usete, and it had to be limits of generosity".

guaranteed for a least two and preferably three years, with some commitment to continue thereafter.

The question of duration was vital because it will be at least five to six years before longer-term changes, such as an increase in the proportion of Eritish trade conducted with the Community and a decline in the Community and a decline in the percentage of EEC funds spent on agriculture, are likely to bring about any natural im-provement in Britain's budget position.

The most difficult concession demanded of Mr Thatcher was which would probably add more than £1.000m to the Community's agricultural costs this year and weight the balance of the Community's spending priori-ties ever more against British

The offer which Mrs Thatcher came closest to accepting would have reduced Britain's net contribution to about £325m in 1980 and to £490m in 1981. with a review at the end of that year.

The Prime Minister, however, wanted the increase in 1931 to be linked to the percentage in-crease in the size of the budget as a whole, which on current trends implied a net contribu-tion in that year of about \$200tion in that year of about £390m







Odd woman out: Herr Helmut Schmidt, Mrs Thatcher and President Giscard d'Estaing giving their versions of events after Monday night's summit.

French say Britain is now isolated from the Continent

From Charles Hargrove Paris, April 29

Judging from reactions in this country to the European summit, it is not the Continent which is isolated this time, but Britain, thanks to the unreasonableness and intransigence of

her Prime Minister, who could only say "no".

The French believe that as in Dublin, Mrs Thatcher had gambled on her ability to drive a wedge in the united front of her partners but she failed. her parmers, but she failed. But some commentators suggest that in the coming weeks, such solidarity will be sorely tried if Britain is kept in isola-tion and the "continentals" try to raise agricultural prices without her.

derive some satisfaction from the fact that she now provokes in France the same strong, sometimes irrational, outburst of feeling as General de Gaulle did with his neighbours when he resorted to the policy of the "empty chair" to block Britain's entry to the EEC.

No one is now tempted to accuse the British Government of taking a back seat, of failing to pull its weight in Europa, of lacking a forceful policy in the Community It is in fact being accused in some quarters of deliberately string out to destroy the Community in its present form, once again from subser-vience to American interests. The crisis, this time, concerns

Mrs. Thatcher can at least more than hard cash and technicalities, it is, several commen-tators insist, about the kind of Europe that Britain wants or will not allow to exist without her.
Le Monde even speaks today

of the "post Rome Treaty area", picking up President Giscard d'Estaing's disillusioned remark that "British demands, because of their scope and duration, cannot be met within the framework of existing Com-

munity regulations."

For the Gaullists, there is a simpler answer. The Community has its rules, Britain has accepted them. If it does not want to observe them, let it However, M Jean Lecanuet,

President of the Centre des Democrats Sociaux, a doughty fighter for European unity, re-fuses to believe that the worst may come true. "The intransi-gence of Britain in the defence of narow interests, prevented agreement," he said. "This is not a conflict between London and Paris but a disagreement and Paris, but a disagreemnt between Britain and the Community. That i swhat makes it serious."

Despite the crisis in Luxem-bourg, French newspapers have not lost their sharp sense of humour. "Typhoon Maggie sweeps over Europe," France-Soir remarks. The socialist Le Marin, under the title Death or glory poker," writes that " at the end of the game of the

grand European casino . . . they (M Giscard d'Estaing and Herr Schmidt) threw their hands on the table from exhaustion, noting, bitterly, that the rules of poker were definitely not the same in Britain as on the continent."

How could Europe claim to be a model of behaviour, and pose convincingly as the world's conscience over Iran and Afghanistan, when she was unable to reach agreement on a manter of hard cash? is the question raised by many here today. Notwithstanding the gravity of the situation, the Nine are thought to have behaved like carpet dealers.

Britain's action embitters Germans

From Patricia Clough
Bonn, April 29
Herr Helmut Schmidt, the
West German Chancellor and
his Government appear deeply
embittered at Mrs Margaret
Thatcher's rejection of all effort to reach a compromise on
the EEC budget dispute.
The Germans are not going
so far as to refuse to discuss the
subject again but they firmly

subject again but they firmly believe that any move to save the situpation must come now from Britain.

"We are not the ones who should be in the greatest hurry to think about what happens next." Dr Armin Grünewald, a Government spokesman, said. ,
Minister of State in the Foreign
Herr Klaus von Dohnanyi,
Ministry, predicted that "the
crisis will now go deep. The
British position is now certainly difficult for the other eight to understand", he said.

Herr Schmidt is particularly annoyed at Mrs Thatcher's refusal of what would have amounted to huge and difficult German sacrifices in order to achieve a sertlement.

Our Diplomatic Correspondent writes: Despite the row and recriminations at Luxembourg, the British Government now feels encouraged that the prob-lem of the budget contribution can and will be resolved. More than that officials seem confident that there will be no permanently damaging effect to the spirit of European

cooperation,

The trouble caused by Mrs Thatcher's decision not to clinch the deal should not be

00,000 school workers in strike in France

ns and laboratory technitoday stayed away from chols where they work in last of a series of strikes a have affected every secof the French education m during the past week. is is claimed to be the

militancy in 20 years. teachers from schools and les went on strike for two last week and on Saturday arents went on strike, re-t to send their children to egular morning classes. end of the week also saw threak of violence at Caen Grenoble, where police id students who had been wing the campus in proced to scrutinize foreign its applying for places at

out 200,000 secretaries, the fall in the school popula-

The strike by the parents, organized by their millionstrong federation, was to support a campaign for higher standards and a larger educational budget. The school assistants on strike today were not slow to join the general protest

The campaign by the unions has been growing throughout the present school year. Last term, teachers in private schools joined a one-day strike for the

first time.
The Government reaction has, so far, been extremely tough
M Raymond Barre, the Prime
Minister, said in the National
Assembly last week that be
deplored the action of the
strikers which burt only the children.

teachers' strike was as part of a continuing ign for better working and higher nay ign for octies of the control issue has the Government decision closes in keeping with



laillard is to become first woman ambassa-She is hoping for a post tin America.

ctors cure 's 200-day ezing bout

Romeu, France, April risha Reay, a British girl who could not stop ig, has been cured after han 200 days, doctors at buntain resort said today.

• October, when she

• cold, Trisha, who is

d sneezed on average seconds, using dozens dkerchiefs a day.

tually she was brought
er home in Sutton Coldnear Birmingham, to a
n the Pyrenees.—Reuter.

warning of Nato illusion

George Marchais,

French Communist leader, is not the sort of man to be daunted by the conspicuous refusal of nine European Communist parties to attend the conference on peace and dis-armament which he and his Polish comrades had called in

Paris.

He said the appeal adopted to mobilize public opinion in all European countries against the stationing of missiles in Europe, for the ratification of the Salt 2 agreements. and other disarmament problems did not exclude any national or international initiatives, on the part of Communists, Socialists or Social Democrats.

The two-day debates attended

The two-day debates attended by delegates from 22 European parties had taken place "with strict respect for the principles of absolute independence".

He said: "We wish to warn against the illusion of believing that by placing Nato and the Warsaw Pact on the same footing, one will be able to settle the problems of war and peace in favour of the latted".

Rssia was a great military power, and was also arming itself. But the steps taken to step up its defence capacity have neverbeen more than a response to the actions of the West, he added.

ght security for Dutch onation ceremony

tobert Schuil flam, April 29
n Juliana of The Netherbade her subjects faremonarch tonight in a tte broadcast on radio evision. She will be suc-tomorrow by her eldest er. Crown Princess

the same time police into the Dam Square be scene of tomorrow's nies, to seal off a large central Amsterdam to and even, in some areas, rians. Residents there or be able to receive

cles left unattended in rea were being towed

dge in Amsterdam this on ruled that the Burgoas head of the police. titled to take the mea-in the interest of main-public order. The resiand asked for an imme-adament against the measures, which they said were illegal.

Some 3,000 guests, including the Prince of Wales, will attend the investiture. It is well known that the measures have also been taken as a security precaution, while the restricted areas are also being used as staging points for riot police and nilitary units if there is trouble.

Agitation is no longer ex-pected from the squatters who less than two months ago were involved in a running battle with police in the worst rioting in Amsterdam since the 1960s. They fear that if they demonstrate they will lose much of the goodwil they now enjoy.

the goodwil they now edjoy.

Estimates of the number of security forces mobilized for tomorrow's events vary from the official figure of 4,500 to press reports of 8,000. Sharpshooters will be on roofs and halicopters will circle the Dam Square, where 50,000 to 200,000 people are expected.

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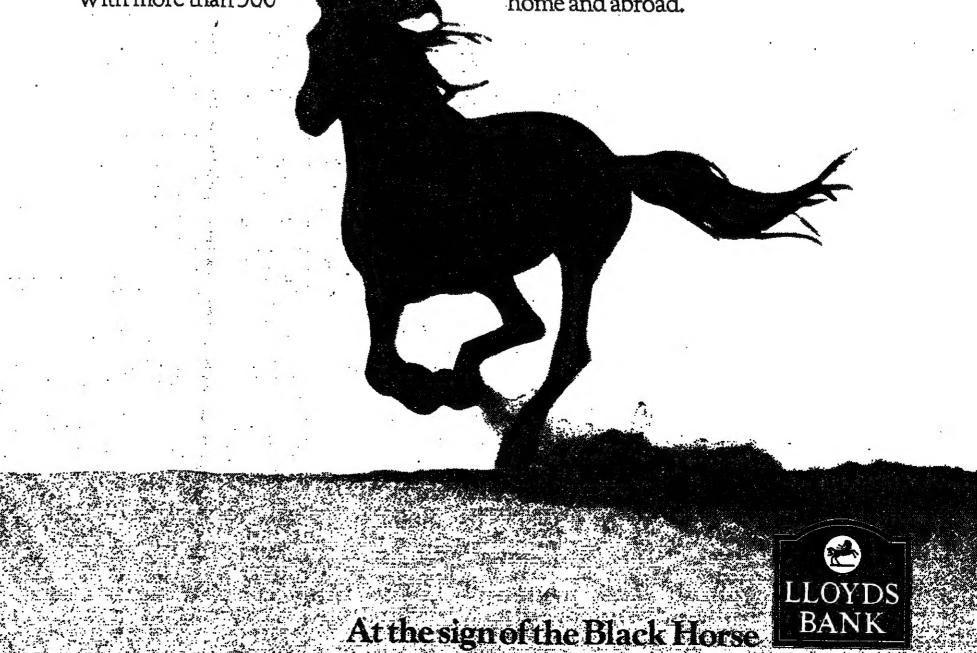
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OVERSEAS _____ Zimbabwe gets a new angle on the news

From Frederick Cleary Salisbury, April 29

The Zimbabwe Broadcesting Corporation vesterday began isuing news commentaries under instruction from the new government of Mr Robert Mugabe. Read for the first time at lunchtime by a black announcer, the commentary recalled that April 28 was the fourteenth anniversary of the "famous Sinoia battle when the first shots of liberation were fired ".

The commentator went on "The struggle, bitterly and determindely fought by our seven heroes at Sinoia on April 28, 1966 opened a bitherto untapped front in the struggle of the people of Zimbahwe against the chains of colonialism. imperialism and oppressionthe military front ".

It had "marked a new era in the political struggles of our people and was the first serious challenge to the political, military and economic | African Prime Minister, today citadels of the colonialists in

hernes spilled in the Sinoia bat-school pupils. He said that the watered the tree of indepen- reople who tried to push the dence and freedom of the toiling people of Zimhabwe." uniforms of school children on in similar vein for several

It went on to say that it had been argued that had it not action would be met with the been for Mrs Thatcher and full might of the state. Anyone Lord Carrington, the British who resorted to such action was Foreign Secretary, Zimbabwe could not have attained independence. "What a mockery to consequences they should not the military struggles of the people of Zimbohwe," the commentator said. The British had been forced to convene the Lancaster House conference by the "resolute wazing of the armed struggle by the people and their Liberation Army

Recently, the showing of a schools had been pronen up to television film favourable to the the police. The pupils were charged with offences under the charged with offences under the charged with offences under the relevision film favourable to the guerrillas when operating in Mozambique during the seven-year war caused a furore. They were arrested near white claimed then that such Westbury High School in New-year they had gathered actions did not conform with the Prime Minister's pleas for reconciliation between both warring sides.

The Herald newspan of the country."

The Herald newspan of the country. The caller said. "If this is Mr started palting notice with gathy with the country."

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Function of the country. The police with the country. The camouflage uniforms with rior held protest railies.

From Our Correspondent

President Zia ul-Hen is leav-

He will head a civil and military.

Accompanying General Zia

Korea for a three-day visit.

of Chairman Hua Guofeng.

Islamabad, Aril 29

San Antonio, Texas April 29 Senator Edward Kennedy held his presidential campaign rally here last night, as voters prepared for the Texas primary hallot on Saturday, but President Carter stole the headlines.

The President making his first trip from the Washington taken in Iran 178 days ago, risited San Antonia briefly the hopes of those working here for the Kennedy campaign'

The President emphasized that his trip had no political purpose. He said he was concerned solely with visiting the five injured American soldiers who took part in the rescue

Johannesburg, April 29

would get hurt.

Mr Pieter Botha, the South

adopted a tough line towards

the spreading boycott of classes by Coloured (mixed race) high

Government around behind the

Speaking on the second day

of a debate in Parliament, he

said that extra-parliamentary

likely to get hurt, he said, and

consequences they should not

about 400 Coloured children

were appearing in a magistrate's court in the Johannesburg

Coloured suburb of Newlands

after a demonstration by more than 2,000 pupils from four high

lands where they had getnered

to hold a meeting as part of the

nationwide protest against the

inferior standard of Coloured

ter: Mr Agha Shahi his foreign

offairs adviser and the military

It is understood that the sit-

delegation and go on to North untion in Afghanistan will be expected to review the regional

The visit is at the invitation having viewed the Soviet mili-ments in Iran.

Chairman Hua Guofeng. tary intervention there with Pakismu's military and eco-

Accompanying General Zia equal concern.

will be his wife, Mrs Ghulam Pakistan faces a disquieting the agenda since China has been Ishaq Khan the Finance Minissituation since the influx of making a contribution.

covernors of Sind and North-

Zia talks in China to include arms

ing Islamabad on Friday for a West Frontier province, border-seven-day state visit to China, ing Afghanistan.

As Mr Botha was speaking,

resort to recriminations.

Botha warning as 400

pupils are arrested

who are now in two military coverage is the key in American politics.

The President made no political speaches, refused to meet campaign workers and even let the Mayor of San Antonio know that he did not expect or desire a formal welcome.

Mr Carter flew to a military base, saw the soldiers, made some brief remarks about his area since the hostages were determination to free the hostages and, less than two hours after his arrival, flew back to Washington.

here was probably a com-cidence. But one, all the same, race for the Republican Party's that vividly illustrates the nomination last week.—AP. power over the press that the Nevertheless, this is one part of Mr Ceser Chavez, a Camor-White House incumbent enjoys of Texas where Schator Ken-rian who has become a leading attempt in Iran last week and And television and newspaper nedy does have a chance. The Mexican-American figure after

in and arrested demonstrators.

A police snokesman said force was not used. However, parents

and teachers claimed that the

police made at least three baton

charges to disperse the students.

It was also alleged that the police climbed over the school

fence to disperse children who

had gathered in the school

Mothers told journalists that they and their children had

been maltreated by the police.

One said that she and her daughter had been his after the

police had threatened to brick down the front door of their house. Another said she had

been beaten although she was

Yesterday's San Antonio newspapers ran banner headlines announcing the President's impending visit, today's papers were dominated by the visit and comprow's may be full of a campaign visit by Mrs Carter. Senator Kennedy came a distant second in media attention Anderson boost: About 32 per

cent of Americans say they might vote for Mr John Anderson who says he will stand as an independent candidate in That this trip should coincide the November 4 presidential with Senator Kennedy's arrival election, a nationwide poll has

combined strategy, we will be

unable to creck Soviet aggres-sion in the Third World."

sun never set on the British Empire. Now it could be said

that the sun never sets on the advancing frontiers of the new

Whereas 30 years ago the

Europe, the frontiers of confron-tation had now become world-

wide and the Russians had the

capacity to project their power on a global scale. Soviet aggres-

sion in Africa, Latin America, Afghanistan and the Middle

East was "as much an attack on

the Western alliance as would

military parity with the Soviet

defence spending must be intro-duced or " by 1985 or sooner the United States will be in a posi-

tion of decisive strategic nuclear inferiority to the Soviet Vaioa ",

alliance has giways been its indivisibility. Mr Nixon said,

The strength of the Western

With the United States losing

be an assault on Europe itself'

Soviet empire.

It used to be said that the

England liberals, but more than half of San Antonio's population is Mexican-American and it is to them that the Kennedy cam-

paign is directed.

caucus meetings.

The objective here is to as many supporters as possible into party caucus meetings on Saturday night. It is at those meetings that delegates to the national party conventions will be chosen and the primary ballot itself is of little significance. The Kennedy forces are making a big effort to ensure that Mexican-Americans go to the

An important asset Senator Kennedy is the help

and losing his voice, but he cratic Party leaders in the made an emotional and impassioned speech that won a tremendous reception. He was constantly interrupted, some with Mexican-Americans. times for prolonged periods, with chants of "we want with chants of Kennedy ".

He kept to economic issues did not mention Iran and appealed to those with lowincomes to support him as he, rather than President Carter stood for liberal Democratic Party values.

President's visit deflates Mr Kennedy's Texas hopes Lone Star State has by and organizing farm workers into. Mrs Lila Cockrell, the Mayor large little time for New trade unions in his home state. of San Antonio, who says she He and Mrs Joan Kennedy is not a member of either party. stood at the senator's side 25 but is sufficiently shrewd to the candidate addressed a rally have been elected to per officeof about 1,000 people in the three times, said it an inter-nicurescone market square, view that President Carter en-

Senator Kennedy was tired loyed the support of most Demo-The Mayor said she did not expect Mr George Bush to do well in the Republican primary, although he lives in Texas. She

agreed with reporters who sug-gested that Mr. John Connaily would have been an important challenger, but that as he has withdrawn, Mr Rouald Reagan should win Texas easily.

Mr Gurdus tunes in to world's secrets

From Christopher Walker Fei Aviv. April 29

Mr Michael Gurdus is a shy unassuming Israel journalist with a flair for electronics who rarely works outside the cramp ed confines of his flat in Te Aviv. But at the age of 35, he ca n already boast of obtaining most correspondents of twice

his age no experience. His latest triumph early last Frida y when he was able reliably to inform listen-ers to Kirl Israel, the country's Helinew Emgrage radio service that the fleet of C130 transport aircraft involved in America's abortive mission in Iran had taken off from a military airfield on the utuskiets of Cairo.

Although the story was hastily dismissed by Mr Mustapha Khill, the Egyptian Prime Minister, Mr Gurdus stood by his claim and was vindicated. The denials never worried The denials never worried me he said today. In 1976, the Rayprians flatty denied my report that one of their planes had been hisacked but they some had to admit it was true? Must to the displeasure of the American Government his report on the C130s was just part of the detailed picture about the mission which the enterprising later Gurdus was able to glean with the aid of his formidabel may of monitoring equipment and othe forest

toring equipment an othe forest of aerials.

He also heard that the aircraft refuelled at Masirs, off the coast of Catan, that Bahrain was used as an important removement reports and tant communications centre and that the airborne command post (code named "cathird" by post (code-named "cathied" by
the Americans) took off from
and isaded at Lamy in Turkey
By somehow managing to
intercept the insin operational
channel. Mr. Gurdus became
one of the first people in the
world to know of the many
disasters overtaking the attempt
to rescue the American hostages, including the fact that
four of the six original C130s
lost contact with the airborne

lost contact with the airborne contributed post and that one was burnt out in an accident he lives.

From all that I could dis cover, the operation was a tre-sendous mess. He said. Mr. Gurdus is fluent in Arabic, English French, Polish and Russian. He first acquired the taste for his unusual style of reporting from his father, a crippled journalist who escaped from Warsaw in 1939 and later

Mr Karamanlis favoured

Europe has Criticisms of Carter strategy on 'vital' role increase after Vance resignation to play in alliance

Washington, April 29

Committees of Congress con-vened in closed session today to examine different aspects of the attempted rescue of the American hosteges in Tehran and Mr Cyrus Vance's resigna-

tion.

The political post martem examination of the affair has been quiet so far. but will soon get far more noisy; today's newspapers are full of savage criticism of the President and politicians will soon follow the

newspapers' example.

The New York Times argued that Mr Vance resigned, not just because he opposed the rescue attempt, but "because he knows more than the rest of the country about the Presi-dent's mood and the drift of his policy in these days of frustra-

tion.
"What will we do if this raid

Iran to collapse, driving it into Soviet arms?"

"These are, indeed, the risks Mr Carter's policy now runs. Tre President counts on responsible Iranians to save i on from the dismemberment that Mr Brzezinski openly warns about. Mr Carter decided this month to put the stature of the United States about of even he safety of the hostages."
The newspaper concludes that Mr Vance should give his reasons for resigning, instead of playing the good team player, the lawyer, and keeping silent.

The columnists are harder still. Mr Joseph Kraft writes: "Behind that intrinsically risky

fails and the power of the mission, its poor timing and United States is further humi- pathetic consequences, there pathetic consequences, there liazed?" he must have asked lies a single massive condition Mr Carter. What do we do if from which everything also we get the hostages, but by derives. That is the sanctimonities raid, and sanctions, cause our moralism of Jimmy Carter."

Others are equally critical.

The failure of the rescue and.

Mr Vance's resignation seems to have freed them from months of inhibition over criticizing the President's handling of the Members of Congress have

heaped praise on Mr Vance for making a decision of principle. Euroy returns: Mr Thomas Wetson the American Ambas-sador, left Moscow today to return to Washington on what was officially described as per-sonal bosiness (Michael Binyon writes) He is an old and close friend of Mr Cyrus Vance, and it is thought he may wish to discuss his resignation with

Union, a far greater increase in Japan's aging leader loves TV drama, Western food

Book reveals Emperor's foibles

From Peter Hazelhurst Tekyo, April 29

Emperor Hirohito, the world's longest reigning monarch, cole-brated his seventy-ninth birthday today amid signs that he suifers from the same lears and foibles as his subjects.

Standing behind bullet-proof glass windows on a balcony of the Imperial Palace in Tokyo today Emperor Hirolito and Empress Nagalio waved to a crowd of 70,000 cheering Japanese who swarmed icto the palace grounds this morning to get a glimpse of their aloof

monarch. Times have certainly changed ince Japan's monarchy was shrouded in an aura of mystery and the ruler was deifled. fact, the Japanese public first develop a common policy to heard the voice of their "god-develop with threats to its interests king" 35 years 220, when broadcast nomic requirements will be on outside its geographical borders Japan's declaration of surrender to the Allies. It was a year later, in 1946, that Asia's must

his family's 2,000-year-old claim

he past three decades. Today, as Emperor Eirobito enters his eightieth year, mod-ern Japan was informed offi-



prefers bacon and eggs to Japanese breakfast.

nounced claim to divinity.

ruler possesses some endearing

human traits. For instance, the imperial chamberlains have just published a diary to reveal that Emperor Hirohito is apparently scared of thunder. He is also an avid fan of television drama and

A Japanese magazine, Josei Jishin, claims that the last

active, surviving leader of the Second World War era prefers his Mickey Mouse watch to muny of his other timepieces According to the magazine, the watch, with the figure of the familiar cartoon painted on its face, was presented to Emperor Hirobito during a visit to Dist eyland five years ago. He has been photographed wearing it at public functions and has now given it to his grand-Kyuchu Jiju Monogutari (the Diaries of the Imperial Cham-

berlains), published recently with the blessing of the Emperor, reveals that the Emperor has worn Western clothes, three-piece suits, since he first visited Europe in 1921. In spite of a public campaign he has refused to wear a kimono or Japanese attire. "The moment thunder started

rumbling the Emperor dropped everything, including an wardashed back to the villa as fast as he could. The chamberlain was badly outpaced and failed to catch up with the Emperor, according to the book

An avid fun of television drama, the Emperor only turns his set off on war memorial days and September 1, the anniversary of the day that the Kanto earthquake destroyed Tokyo and Yokohama in 1923.

covered the Second World War by intercepting communications from his nome in Tel Aviv. Mr Gurdus is now employed by the Israel Broadcasting Authority and has tracked by radio most of the main hijack ing dramss of recent years. He was first to report the seizure of the French aircraft that led to the raid at Entebbe and the storming of a Lufthansa jet in Somalia by German commandes. He still considers his biggest

of pless for help, broadcast by Archbishop Makarios from Paphos after he bad been overbishop's rescue American compleint

Israel about Mr Gurdus report-ing details of the Iran mission before the White House cid. Israeli officials said today.

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rallies as violence goes on

violence after a ban on May Day rallies in major cities, the military authorities announced. They said 1,500 people were detained during the day but

reactins contrary to democracy and any May Day incidents could later be used to curb workers' rights".

In one incident today stu-dents protesting against the ban threw furniture from windows before troops moved in and evacuated them. They were be-lieved to have been taken to an Army barracks outside Ankara or questioning.

More than 300 left-wing workers were detained after occupying a State minerals re-

There were scattered inci-dents at other factories and high schools around Ankara. More than 100 other students or workers were detained.

Since the beginning of the year an average of 10 people have died every day in politi-cal violence.—Reuter.

Delhi, April 29.—More than 50 people have died in a hear wave in the states of Bihar and Uttar Pradesh in north India over the past two weeks. The victims, mostly children, died from heatstroke after temperatures rose to above 45°C (112°F)—Reuter.

Leban on militia leader injured in mine blast

From Our Correspondent Tel Aviv, April 29

Major Saad Haddad, Christian militia leader Southern Lebanon who has been peace keeping forces there, was injured today when his Jeep hit a landmine.

He was taken by helicopter with three other injured militia-men to the Rambam Hospital in Haifa, Israel, where his in-iuries were described as slight. Israel Radio said the major was following the tracks of terrorists discovered at noon south of Taibeh in the central sector of the area under his control The terrorists fled to the area of operation of the Nigerian contingent of Unifil where the major's Jeep hit the mine.

United Nations headquarters in Jerusalem depied the mining. an Jerusalem benieb the mining occurred in a Unifil area and said it happened "on the border line." Major Hadded said "many are waiting for my death but I will not give them the pleasure"

From Mario Modiano Athens, April 29 It now seems certain that Mr. Constantine Karamanlis, the Prime Minister, will be elected President of Greece on May 5, following today's second unsuc-cessful ballot in Parliament. He will assume his new duties a few days later after taking the

oath of office. oath of office.

Although the five-year term of President Tsatsos does not expire until June 20, both the President and Mr Karamanlis agree that in view of the tense international situation, any delay in the changeover would serve no useful purpose. President Tsatsos, therefore, intends to resign shortly after Mr Karamanlis's election is con-

confirmed.
In roday's second ballot of the presidential election Mr. Karamanlis received 181 votes, 19 short of the two-thirds majority still required in this round, but more than enough for the third and final ballot due to be held next Monday.

to win presidential vote received two votes more than he again refused to vote for himself, and walked out when the voting began. This probably also lost thim the vote of an independent deputy who supported him in the first ballot, but became so inceused by the Prime Minister's abstention that he had said he would cast a blank if Mr Karamanli withdress.

Additional support for Mr Karamanlis came from two independent deputies who has cast blanks last week, as wel as from one of the four Social Democrats who disagreed with the party's line not to vote for Mr Karamanis and was promptly expelled.

Onother small party, Democratic Centre Union, has already suffered one defe tion, kept the remaining deputies out of roday's session

Mr Callaghan urged th

there should now be a per

Britain opposes Gulf blockade

Parliamentary Correspondent Westminster

The total opposition of Britain and her European partners to any kind of military action being taken by the United States to secure the release of the hostages in Iran was made clear in the House of Commons restorday by Mrs Margaret Thatcher.

The Prime Minister's call for political solution came against the background of the resignation of Mr Cyrus Vance, the American Secretary of State, and his warnings that President carter could be preparing new military moves in the Guif.
For the first time Mrs.
Thatcher confirmed that the Government would be against any move by the United States to mine or even to mount a naval blockade of the strategically important Straits of Hor-

From Mrs Thatcher's words and her emphasis on a political solution. MPs were left in no doubt that during the coming

weeks there will be a concerted from military intervention effort by European nations to Mr Callaghan urged bring pressure on the United States at the highest level in an attempt to prevent the Iran Lord Carrington, the Foreign

Secretary, will be launching this Washington at the end of the week. Yesterday, in the House of Lords, he said that the Government had already made clear that a solution would not be found by the use of force. He did not think that the further use of force was likely and the United States and its allies were seeking other Mrs Thatcher and Lord Car-

rington were backed up on this point by Mr James Callaghan, Leader of the Opposition, and made a clear distinction between military action and the attempt to rescue the hostages. That, said the Foreign Secre-

tary, was a legitimate operation, while the Prime Minister told

attempt should be distinguished

for quier diplomacy away for the glare of television camer Iran, he said had no right hold the hostages in any cumstances but as long as th were held in the full glare publicity there would be ev But while the Comm united in its opposition to harry action Mrs Thatcher cated, however, that the wood of support for the United St could be strengthened by proved consultation proced Europe and America. It seemed that Britain not consulted over the us

the Diego Garcia base when on most matters the States would consult the Br Government, but when it cue operation any country

six montas' pregnant. However, Brigadier J. Swanepolice, said batons had not been used. "The school children were assembling illegaily, they were arrested for contravening the Riotous Assemblies Act. It is as simple as that ". he

schools in the black township when groups of black pupils moved from school to school urging a boycott. Their action came after the detention yester

day of nine people who particirated in a demonstration in support of the coloured pupils. About 1,000 students at the University of Cape Town today staged a protest march in syn pathy with the coloured numils. University students in Durban

Afghan refugees, believed to

number more than 700,000 at present, continues bringing

serious economic and social

The two leaders are also

"the clear warning that an attack on one would be con-strued as an attack on all". Because the challenge had broadened, the West had to extend that concept of indivisibility to encompass the Western interests that span the globe:
"We must plan together and
act together . . . to develop a tetal response to those who wage total war against us."

Mr Nixon said.

strengths was that they coordinated their tactics militarily, economically and diplomatic-The West must do the An alliance which could not

Russians'

to divinity. But the privacy and position of Japan's imperial family have remained inviolable subjects for

cially, for the first time, that Turkish ban on

Ankara, April 29.—Troops and police arrested 493 students and workers and 87 teachers here during a day of scattered

most were released after ques-tioning. Pistols ammunitions, grenades, phooby-trapped pla-cards and gas masks were found after troops evacuated a number of high schools. Mr Bulent Ecevit, the Opposition leader and former Prime Minis-ter, said the ban was "very wrong, very dangerous" and could "provoke people into

search institute on the outskirts of Ankara to protest against the Government's "anti-worker policies". They set fire to the plan's rubber storage depot.

In the western resort of Izmir an official of the Nationalist Movement Party was shot dead.

Indian heat wave takes 50 lives

learch continues for asualties of sea xodus from Cuba

hington, April 29

United States United States Coast picked up two bodies capsized cabin cruiser he strait between Cuba and ida yesterday, and cones to search for other victof the sealift from Cuba. least a dozen boots were overturned by high waves unday and Monday. By one it 44 people have been

ze Governor of Florida has ared the state's two southnost counties disaster areas, has allocated state funds to has allocated state runds to the refugees. Meanwhile, United States Government mues ineffectual attempts op the ferrying of refugees

ey West o fishing boats carrying gees were seized by the t Guard yesterday. Those g boats to pick up people uba are told that they run isk of heavy fines, but no appears to be taking the st very seriously.

out 3,000 refugees had ad in Key West by the end ast week, brought by a la of small American craft, and pleasure boats, were about 10,800 at the Peruvian were ees at the Peruvian use in Havana. Some have

ries, but most are waiting

e taken to the United out 1,000 refugees remain embassy. They are mostly r government officials of as who do not trust the Government's promise of conduct. The rest have 20t conduct passes and are ig, either at home or at nell Cuban port of Mariel,

taken off boats from Florida are mainly by people looking latives still living in Cuba, President Castro is perg to leave. According to sor Juan Clark, of Miami College, about three the embassy. The rest are es of those on the boats, to have essor Clark brought two embassy. es to Washington yester-tell their story at George-University. They were Domingo Rodriguez, a professor of linguistics

vana University, and Enrique Hernandez, a or Rodriguez lost his unijob last year when he for a visa to visit Spain. ped, in fact, to join rela- open arms.

cer 'expecting

interim bail to Mr

Sharma, a senior superin-t of police.

Sharma had approached

urt expecting he would ested at any moment. As

i been pressured to give

evidence against Mr J. C. Shah who headed

nission inquiring into the may rule excesses involv-

rs Indira Gandhi, India's

Minister, and her sou, njay Gandbi.

us application for antici-

bail. Mr Sharma said

ver the past two months

d-been repeatedly urged
P. S. Bhinder, the Delhi
Commissioner, to give
evidence against Mr
e Shah and other impor-

bersonalities by swearing he judge had personally him to implicate Mrs il, her son and Mr Bhinder

Sharma said that on April

this year a case was against him "and other

known and unknown basis of a complaint Mr Bhinder on Feb-

iosisting that Mr

er's complaint was a stion, Mr Sharma claimed

be had been approached number of officials, in par-by Mr Bhinder, who had ically told him that the

way to escape the conse-

es of the case was to help inder by giving evidence i Mr Justice Shah.

mual clashes: Local and migrant workers it today in Imphal, capital is north-eastern Manipur despite a 48-hour curfew and on the towar rectary.

ed on the town yesterday-than 3,000 people belong-

o minority communities

in Imphal after riots and swept the town yesterday.

ops were called out to

police who used baton

es and tear gas to dis-

mobs in yesterday's

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Our Correspondent

Delhi High Court

tives in Puerto Rico. He was sent to work as a gardener.

On April 5, he heard from a friend that the police had been withdrawn from the Peruvian Embassy and that the Ambassador was allowing Cubans to seek refuge there. Señor Rod-riguez went to the embassy with his mother and sister, and about

45 friends. Señor Hernando, also heard from a friend about refuge at the embassy, and went straight there. Later, when encouraging others to come in he was badly cut on the arm by police with a machette.

Senor Rodriguez said that conditions were so crowded that the refugees had to move every two hours and had to take turns to sit or lie down. There was very little food or water.

He said that when he and his family got their safe conduct passes they returned home to find that their house had been family sacked. They were threatened by the Committee in the Defence of the Revolution (CDR) and told to stay under cover or when they got their pass-ports, the word excorta, mean-ing "scum" was written on the

Señor Hernandez said that he ssy in Havana. Some have was forced to sign a false conflown to South American fession that he was a drug smuggler and paroled convict.

Both men said that they left because of the political, social economic repression in Cuba. Señor Rodriguez said that if young people are not ideologically sound they are not allowed to enter university; he had to practise a deceit to complete his education.

They complained of the tyranny of the police and of the local CDR whose members spy upon people and control

Professor Clark said that most of the embassy refugees were under 30. They included an unusually high proportion of coloured people (about 35 per cent) and seemed mainly to have lived near the

The influx of Cubans to the embassy began when 25 people burst through the police guard.

A policeman was killed, A policeman was killed, possibly by another guard shooting at the rrefugees. The Government then withdrew the guards from the embassy.

There are about 450,000 Cubans in Florida and they are welcoming the refugees with

Hongkong home

loans offer by Chinese banks From Our Correspondent Hongkong, April 29

For the first time two Con munist banks have joined a major Hongkong public finance project to offer home losus for Hongkong residents.

Local branches of the Pekingowned Bank of China and Nan-yang Commercial Bank have oined 14 other banking and finance companies in the Hong-Government's Ownership Scheme.

This participation in Hong kong welfare programmes is welcomed as further evidence of growing Chinese involvement in the stabilization of the

From Neil Kelly
Khao Laem, April 29
Some of the increased loans
and grants that Japan is making this year to Thailand will
help pay for a new hydroelectric dam, which is being
built at Khao Laem on a portion of the Japanese military

tion of the Japanese military railway constructed by allied prisoners during the Second World War which featured in

the film The Bridge on the

River Kwai.

Much of the £115m—nearly

double the amount last year-that Japan is providing will be spent on irrigation and

spent on irrigation and other agricultural development

Not far from the border of

Not far from the border of Burma are Australian, Irish, Italian, Swiss and Thai engineers and technicians already at work on the dam. When completed at a cost of £150m in 1984, it will flood 230 square miles of ricefields, forest and villages in the valley of the Kwae Noi river.

Kwae Noi river.

More than 12,000 people must be rehoused on higher ground. Monsoon rains in the

middle of the year frequently flood the area as waters rush

Queues at American Embassy visa section are longer than those in the food shops Scarcities reflect Jamaica's desperate cash crisis

From Michael Leapman
Kingston, Jamaica, April 29
A joke current in Jamaica is
that the country now has not
only a national flower, a
national bird and a national
tree, but a national salute—the
outstretched nalm outstretched palm.

it reflects the bitterness Jamaicans feel that their country is best known internationally its nearly desperate search for loans to plug its payments

The search intensified last month when Mr Michael Manley's Government decided that it could not make the addisacrifices demanded by International Monetary Fund (IMF), for a resumption of the assistance suspended when Jamaica failed one of the periodic tests. It has managed to pathetic countries but not enough to cover the gap, estimated at \$300m (£136m),

The latest loan attempts are reported in the newspapers daily. If the news is good, the reports are accompanied by a photograph of smiling ministers putting pen to paper.

There were few smiles last week when Britain's Exports Credits Guarantee Department suspended guarantees for ex-ports to Jamuica. This means that nearly all goods from Britain must be paid for in each which Jamaica does not

The foreign exchange shortage is having especially grave effects in the food shops. Shopping has become a long and

Housewives, unable to find more than a fraction of what they need on the shelves, spend hours lurking near the door to the supermarket storage areas hoping that consignments of scarce items are about to be

At Wong's supermarket in New Kingston, a dozen or more waiting women fell with enthusiasm on a carton of tinned mackerel as it was brought out. Some bore one or two tins triumphantly to the checkout while others continued the vigil in the hope of soap, salt, sugar, flour, rice, salt fish or any other of the scarce commodities which they must otherwise buy on the black market. Police patrolled the entrance

guard against disturbance which has occasionally occurred.

Dozens of factories, notably clothing manufacturers, have had to close down because they cannot get foreign exchange for raw materials. Unemployment, already hovering around 30 per cent, is thus increasing.

Even when the Government ives permission for the release gives permission for the release of foreign exchange for essentials, the backs may simply have none. That is why the Jamaica Daily News—ironically the newspaper which supports the Government—bad to suspend publication for two days last week when it ran out of newsprint. newsprint.

newsprint.

The scarcities have hastened the exodus of middle class Jamaicans to the United States, which has led to a shortage of skilled labour and management. The queues at the visa section



Mr Manley: going to the polls.

at the United States Embassy

are longer than those in the food shops. The IMF demand which Mr Manley and his colleagues decided they could not meet was that they should further cut public expenditure by cancelling some social programmes and laying off about 10,000 government workers. Mr Manley has called an election on the ssue and polling is expected in the late summer. Mr Eric Bell, the Finance

Minister, resigned when the IMF negotiations broke down. His successor, Mr Hugh Small says that many previous dealings with the IMF saw the halting and in some instances the reversal of policies and programmes that were part of the

effort to transform the Jamaican economy and build up the state sector. . . The price they were trying to extract was not a price which any government which believes in democracy would pay."

Mr Edward Seaga, the leader of the opposition Jamaica Labour Party said: "Economically we do not see how the country can last until August September....

Mr Small is on the left of the ruling People's National Party.
As a result of the cancellation
of the IMF arrangement the left-wingers now dominate the This sharpens the distinction

between the parties as the elec-tion approaches. Mr Seaga be-lieves much of the country's trouble can be attributed to Mr Manley's flirtation with Cuba and the non-aligned movement, which frightened away investors and encouraged the IMF to take a tough line.

"He has highlighted a single aspect (the non-aligned move-ment) of the country's foreign policy, chiefly because of his personal ambitions", Mr Seaga said, "and our relations with the West and the rest of the Caribbean have been damaged ". If he wins the election, and

the opinion polls suggest he will, Mr Seaga will try to make Jamaica an important offshore manufacturing centre, exploit-ing its proximity to the United States and its links with the EEC through Britain. He once called this the Puerto Rico model, a phrase he may now

"I used the term to set out the distinction from the Cuban model", he says defensively, "as against the development strategy followed in the rest of the Caribbean since the 1940s."

The People's National Party says that Puerto Rico's depend-ency on the United States, its high unemployment and mass emigration are not what they had in mind for Jamaica.

Mr Small said: "The Jamaican people made many sacrifices so they should be free of domination. We have no desire or intention to become a colony of the United States. The Puerto Rico model has not even worked in Puerto Rico.".

Mr Small's strategy, apart from the eternal quest for loans, is to develop Jamaica's main resource, bauxite. A number of projects to expand bauxite production, involving both private and public enterprise, have been set in motion.

Whether the party will remain in power long enough to see the benefits of that development remains an open

Mr Seaga believes that if he wins there will be an instant renewal of investments from foreign companies deterred by the present Government's leftwing ideology.

That could happen, but some observers are not sure that such a boost could be sustained. Mr Seaga, though sound on finance lack force as a leader and there is not much obvious talent among those who would form his administration.

iunta hands farm land to peasants

El Salvador

San Salvador, April 29.-The San Salvador, April 2012 And Covernment announced yester-day the abolition of the share-cropping system in El Salvador and said the land would be made available at low prices to those who worked it.

made available at low prices to those who worked it.

The decree by the ruling junta said that the Government would buy the land from the owners and that the small farmers could buy it by making small payments that would not exceed the rent they now pay.

Colonel Jaime Gutierrez, a junta member, announced the final phase of the agrarian reform nationalizing all land under 210 acres which is not being farmed.

According to a Government spokesman 90 per cent of El Salvador's arable land has been expropriated by the three agrarian reforms.

Observers said the agrarian reform giving the land to the peasants, who were to be aided in its administration by Government officials, was an attempt.

ment officials, was an attempt to reduce discontent among El Salvador's poor and illiterate

population. Colonel Gutierrez said the reform would benefit more than one million peasant families. The United States last week gave a loan of \$32.5m (£14.5) to El Salvador to help the agrarian reform programme.

Meanwhile, tension mounted in the country today after the discovery of eight murders, some of them thought to be the work of the extreme right-wing

death squads".
Five of the bodies, found yesterday under a bridge north-east of here, bore marks of torture and were apparently victims of "death squads",

sources said. Elsewhere, three young peo-ple travelling in a car were: killed by machine gun fire after.

Brazil strike leads to church-state tension

From Patrick Knight,

Sao Paulo, April 29 The arrest of union leaders

has made the three-week strike of some 100,000 car workers more bitter and complicated instead of bringing it to a quick

A second level of leaders has een detained during the few days, after a week of con-frontation between police and strikers. The strike has led to tension between church and

The Government apparently felt that with the removal of Senhor Luis Inacio da Silva, and a few henchmen, the strike would collapse.

Although there has been a slow drift back at some plants, the key car factories are still unable to start again, despite recruitment of new workers from Sao Paulo's unemployed. This time, the strikers' organization is better. For example, 150 tons of food have

More important has been the growing participation of the courch. With other venues closed to them, strikers have been meeting in front of churches, and now that these areas have been forbidden, inside the churches, Relations between sections of the church and the Government have deteriorated sharply, with President Joao Baptista de Figueiredo accusing the Archbishop of São Paulo, Cardinal Paulo Evaristo Arns, of assuming leadership of the strike.

Thais will use Japanese money to flood

rail line that killed allied war prisoners

down the Kwae Noi (Little Kwae) from carchment areas in

the Burmese mountains. Flood mitigation with hydro-electric power and irrigation for tens of thousands of farmers will be

the chief benefits of the dam.

About 40 miles of embankment, which supported the old
railway line, will disappear
when the dam area floods.
Built by British, Australian,
Dutch and American prisoners
of war between October, 1942,
and October, 1943 the railway
ran for most of its 260 miles
through the Kwae Noi valley.

through the Kwae Noi valley.
It cost the lives of 12,400 of

those prisoners, half of them British, as well as those of 100,000 Asian civilians whom

the Japanese pressed into working on the railway.

One group of 3,600 British soldiers based in a camp near Khao Laem lost 2,036 men in a

After the war the Thai authorities dismantled, largely for economic reasons, all but 80 miles of the line. Rails and other successions.

other equipment have gone, but the teak sleepers and most of

the embankments, cuttings and bridges, made by the most

again, particularly for the Govrnment. The Pope is due to make an eight-day visit to Brazil in early July, and it is planned for him to address a stadium full of workers in São Paulo,

The progressive and conserva-tive wings of the church are squabbling over exactly where the Pope should go, and whom he should see.

More radical bishops and priests, who are in a majority, are concerned with what is seen here as the Pope's conciliator; line with governments, and his unwillingness to back more controversial aspects of church

The church has acted to maintain credibility with the majority. Its defence of the strikers caused a flurry of meetings between bishops and Government officials. The big car firms of São Barnardo and Santo Andre, in the São Panlo industrial suburbs, are pressing for a strong line.
They too seemed to feel that

been distributed among wor-kers families, while donations to neutralize Senhor da Silva arrive from all over the would end the strike. There is is now a key in the strategies of firms such as Volkswagen General Motors, Ford and Fiat With home markets declining, and costs rising, they all now plan to assemble "world cars" from parts made in many countries.

Brazil is a major link for all of them. According to a recent Bank of Boston report, wages here form only about 10 cent of final costs, and if this comparative advantage were lost, the industry's It is a bad time for church- strategy would have to be state relations to decline once re-thought.

printitive means, are still

bolts are popular souvenirs among tourists. There are plans for a railway museum near the new daom. Sizable items have

already been found for it in-cluding some old British box-

cars, presumably from the Burmese railways, discovered rusting away in jungle below

This western border region Thailand is almost isolated

by mountains and river. The nearest sizable town is 80 miles

away over roads difficult at the

best of times and impassable for portion of the year.

The Japanese are frequent tourists to the area—where

their troops 35 years ago were accused of some of the worst

accused of some or the atrocities of the war.

A ride over the remaining 80 miles of the "death railway" between Nam Tok and Banpong

is a tourist attraction. The journey takes passengers ecross the famous bridge on the River Kwae at Tha Makham as well as

over the visition at Wampo, built with great loss of life in

the old line.

Sleeper spikes, fishplates and

Former Fraser minister to face trial

From Douglas Aiton

the charges.

Melbourne, April 29
Ian Sinclair, a former senior
minister, was today committed for trial on nine charges includ-ing forgery and making false statements. Mr Sinclair denied

The charges relate to a group of companies owned by the Sinclair family and large sums of money allegedly misappro-priated from them some years ago by Mr Sinclair's late father. It has now been alleged Mr Sinclair's

that Mr Ian Sinclair was subsequently involved in irregular

Mr Sinclair was asked by the magistrates at Sydney central court whether he had anything to say about the charges and he replied: "If it so pleases your worship, I am not guilty of any of the charges as alleged." He was released with-

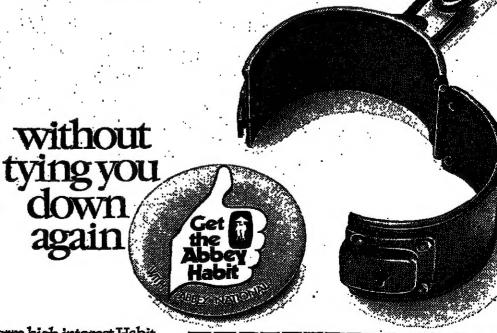
out bail.

Mr Sinclair, aged 50, was a family senior minister in the Fraser volved coalition government until the Reuter.

charges were first laid last year, when he resigned his post He is deputy leader of the National Party formerly the Country Party, which is the junior partner in the coalition. Inquiry rejected: The Government of the coalition of the coalition of the coalition. ment today rejected Opposition calls for an inquiry into allega-tions that Sir Garfield Barwick, the Australian Chief Justice, may have been influenced by family shares in companies in-volved in cases before him.—

the driver ignored a stop sign.
Yesterday Mr Victor Keilhaver, a British-born representative in El Salvador for the Ford Motor Company and John Deere Tractors, was abducted by an unidentified group. Respon-sibility for the kidnapping has not been claimed.—UP, UPI not been claimes. ..., and Agence France-Presse.

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N agency cuts link with Pretoria bouring black African states.

council of the United s Environment Pro-ne (UNEP) has over-ningly voted to stop all ration with South Africa. traft decision released tomid South Africa's policy parate racial development ed the right to a whole-and peaceful life and an miment unfettered by in-

o restrictions. resolution submitted to seeting yesterday by the of 77 developing nations, South Africa's umplanned ments in black homelands flow acceptable environ-i standards and the areas often chosen because of Poor ecology ".

said the Pretoria Govern-Created and perperuated bamental and human probby "flagrant and arrogant "y incursions" into neigh-

The resolution added: "The governing council calls upon the executive director to cease forthwith all forms of cooperation which exist between UNEP and the Government of South

The voting for the resolution was 36 in favour, 10 against and two absternions.—Reuter.

Our Nairobi Correspondent writes: The annual meeting of the governing council of UNEP ended here today after approv-ing resolutions urging inter-national cooperation on moves to modify the weather, calling for controls on the release of chlorofluorocarbons into the atmosphere, and for controls on the movement of hazardous chemical wastes between coun-

10-day session agreed The weather modification be dedicated to the modification

benefit of mankind and the environment, and that notification of moves to modify the weather be given to the World Meteorological Organization and the state concerned.

The delegates appreciated the decisions of the EEC and several other governments to limit their capacity to produce chlorofluorcarbons (aerosol propellants) and urged other countries to do the same. They urged further scientific research on the harmful effects on the ozone layer of the re-lease of chlorofluorocarbons

into the atmosphere.

The council urged adequate protection measures for hand-ling and disposing of hazardous chemical wastes and for procedure to notify and control international transfers of them.
UNEP has been asked to help
in developing guidelines for
their safe disposal.

Emergency rule is lifted in Nicaragua

Managua, April 29.—The Nicaraguan Government yester-day lifted the state of emer-gency in force since July, 1979, when General Anastasio Somoza was overthrown. It also introduced a new citizens' protection

Señor Sergio Ramirez, a mem-ber of the ruling junta, told reporters that the state of emergency was introduced for economic rather than political reasons. He said the new measures were meant to foster sense of confidence

The Sandinista Government also said it would replace two junta members, Señora Violetta Chamorro and Señor Alfonso Robelo, who resigned recently. Various branches of the administration would also be reorganized, Señor Ramirez said.— Agence France-Presse.

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A corner of a typical student bedroom in a 'key' university, neasuring 21ft by 12ft, with bunk beds for up to 10 students. The room was originally designed for two.

The enthusiasm and application of Chinese students working under austere and adverse conditions is one of the most immediately impressive features of the Chinese education system. Yet one cannot help wonder what is really going on behind those almost stereotyped fresh open faces, unmarked by the traumas so many bave lived through.

The experience of Wang Guo Dong, a 29-year-old student of English at one of China's favoured "key" universities, is probably fairly typical of his generation. He was 14 when the Cultural Revolution broke out. It thattered the chalcond distributes shattered the sheltered, disciplined world in which he had been brought up. The values he had been taught to expouse he was now told to despise. The people he had learnt to respect be now saw reviled, tortured and im-

His education until then had been authoritarian and conventional. As in Chinese schools today, emphasis was placed on obedience, conformity, memorization and rote learning. There was, and still is, little spirit of inquiry, creativity or critical analysis, despite exhortations. like the following, from Mao:

"Communists", Mao wrote, "must always go into the whys and wherefores of anything, use their own heads and carefully think over whether or not it corresponds to reality and is really well founded. On no account should they follow blindly and encourage slavishness."

R. F. Price, writing about education in China shortly before the Cul-tural Revolution, commented on the enormous pressure on pupils and teachers to conform. Pear of saying anything which might be politically wrong led to a continual repetition of well-worn oversimplifications he said. That situation has not changed, though what is politically "wrong" or "right" appears to change all the

Wang Guo Dong did not question

Unsettled times for children of the Cultural Revolution

the Cultural Revolution; he moved with the tide. Like all his school friends he joined the Red Guard; he criticized his teachers; he boycotted formal classes: he discussed politics. It was a new freedom but set in the old conformist mould.

When he was 17 he was sent with our of his school friends to work in the country for three years. The work was hard, the accommodation primitive, and there was, of course, no chance to catch up on his missed years of formal schooling. But he does not look back on that time as wasted. He says it did him good to try to understand the lives of peasants who. after all, constitute four fifths of China's 1,000-million population.

In 1972 he was allowed to return to his home town to work in a factory. his home town to work in a factory. Universities were just beginning to repopen after the Cultural Revolution shutdown, but he being the son of a white collar worker was not eligible to become a student. So he started studying in his spare time by himself, buying an old gramophone and Linguaphone records to help him with his Enelish.

In 1977, competitive examinations were reintroduced for entry to university and he was among the 5 per cent of the five million candidates who managed to win a place. Although he plans to become a teacher on graduation, his factory continues to pay him his basic salary of 40 yuan (about £12) a month. (The average industrial wage in China is about 60 yuan a month.)

He is more fortunate than his university friend who, having remained on a commune, receives no salary and who therefore has to rely on his girl friend to support him throughout his four-year course. Student grants are given only to the most needy and are usually very small.

Although Wang Guo Dong is newly married (to a girl he met in the commune), and lives only a 20-minute bicycle ride from the university, he

prefers to live on campus in condi-tions which would horrify British

Up to ten students are squeezed into rough bank beds in a 21ft by 12ft room originally designed for two. Unheated cement-floored communal unasted cement-tooled commutatives washing rooms have only cold water taps, though hot water may be fetched in basins. The rooms are bleak. Paint and plaster peel from the walls. There are no cupboards, no proper curtains; no room for per-

sonal possessions.

Wang Guo Dong explains that he can study better at university. The bicycle journey would take up too bicycle journey would take up too much precious time. His day begins with morning drill at 6 am. Breakfast is at 7. Classes (of which he has 20 hours a week—far more than the typical British student) start at 7.30 and continue until 5.30 pm when there is one hour's compulsory physical exercise. Supper is at 6.30. Then more study until 10 pm.

Chinese students work very hard. University holidays are much shorter than in Britain—about four weeks in winter and six in summer. Classes take place six days a week A degree course generally lasts four years, five for a medical course.

China has only 10 years primary and secondary schooling (and that by no means universal) compared with 12 years in Britain, It is said that Chinese students are only at about 0 level standard or lower when they enter university. But despite all the difficulties of antiquated course. the difficulties of antiquated equipment, large classes, out-of-date textbooks, and too many second-rate teachers, they will have made up a lot of lost ground by the time they complete their courses. They are desperately suxious to get on.

For the moment, then, these intellectual children of the Cultural Revolution are busy, though they still find time to discuss politics. Chinese students are rejuctant to salk openly to foreigners, but Wang Guo Dong volunteered, in a lowered voice, that
wone of the problems with my many
experiences is that it gave me too
many independent thoughts which
are not necessarily for the good of the country".

There are thousands of students and millions of young people in China today who have lived through the same type of vicissitudes during their most formative years. For a westerner, it seems impossible that the successive elevation, destruction and rehabilitation of leaders and official policies has not bred cynicism and criticism. The opening up of-contacts with the West must also be leading to some questioning of traditional

A small but steady flow of foreign students is once more coming to study in China. Western films are being shown on television and in cinemas. (Death on the Nile was showing in Cheng Du, capital of Si Chuan province, while we were there.) Foreign newspapers and journals are again being brought into university libraries, though usually reserved for staff and postgraduate

Democracy Wall must have given the young Chinese an intoxicating taste of dissent and freedom, one would have thought. Wei Jingsheng, a student and moted "wall-writer", was hailed as China's first modern dissident when he was failed for 15 years last November on a charge of counter-revolution. But will others

During his trial, Wel claimed that he and his friends had joined the Red Guard in 1966 not, as was commonly supposed, because Mao encouraged them to rise up but because they were indignant at seeing all the inequalities and irregularities in society and at school. Nothing had happened to change that he said. How many others feel that sense of

A new generation of young people

is now growing up who are too young to remember much about the Cultural Revolution. But they have a new cause for dissatisfaction and restlessness — unemployment. The Chinese government itself talks of seven million youn people "waiting for work". It is primarily an urban problem. In Shanghai, for example, two-thirds of last year's school-leavers are still without jobs.

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The government is trying to encourage these memployed to set up their own co-operatives or "labour service companies", doing various jobs like sewing clothes, helping on construction sites, working as hotel porters, running shops and restaurants. There are also plans to change porters, running snops and restaurants. There are also plans to change about two-fifths of the academic secondary schools into specialized vocational schools to give pupils readily employable skills.

But such measures are still only a drop in the ocean. And meanwhile the former Red Guards who were sent our to the country during the Cultural Revolution continue to flow back into the cities and add to the ranks of the discontented.

In the West there would have been an explosion long before now. But China is in the East, where as my colleague and long-time China watcher Richard Harris points out, the emphasis is not on human rights but on human obligations. Further-more, the Chinese people have never lived under anything other than a totalitarian government; they are used to taking orders, to adapting to new situations, to subsuming the self in the interest of the com-

mon good. The appearance of uncritical submission and blithe hard work cer-tainly does not reveal the whole truth. But there are no signs yet that the young urban Chinese are ready to rise up and attack the established

> Diana Geddes Education Correspondent

A model end to misery

n an era of specialists, Jean conference in Katmandu a impel represents a threatened model of an improved version recies: those able to move of the traditional Himsdayan appliy between the two cul- water mill. ures of science and the humaities. He bas been variously expert in the chemistry of ld master paintings, a saboteur n the French Resistance, a redievalist, and an historian technology.

Appearing sometimes to be aught between the speed of is thoughts and the intensity f his convictions, he talks like machine gun, spraying one deas and idées fixes.

His ability to fuse ideas and arvellous books: The Catheal Builders and The Medleral. fachine, both hymns to the ot vice versa.

That same belief in the value traditional technologies aturally led bim to share the cowing feeling that the best ope for the poorest countries y not in importing alien, exensive and labour-saving estern technologies, but rather 1 rehabilitating, improving and preading old or at best inter-tediate - techniques.

Such traditional technologies re cheap, can be repaired, and o not disrupt traditional patarns of living. Many, however, re inefficient and need modi-leation. But how to "sell" hese improvements? Impover-shed villagers in Asia, Africa r South America are suspicious ean Gimpel hit on the simple out brilliant idea of reviving the oncept of models, whose hisory goes back to the engineers if the school of Alexandria in he third century BC, and to the acchanical models of the sevenecoth and eighteenth centuries.

Being three-dimensional, nodels have a huge advantage wer drawings, and even over ilm, TV and other audio-visual echolouss. Non-specialists can recommend and will are perate a model, and village raftsmen can rapidly comprelend them. They also transcend language barriers.

Mr Gimpel-his father was a amous Paris art dealer, his nother is English, his wife. rench—has just come back rom a second and very cheer-ng visit to Nepal. Six months whier he had taken out to a

There are, he estimates, more than 25,000 of these traditional mills in Nepal, of a design dating back 2,000 years. But they are not well conceived: the blades of the water wheel are too flat, the water chute is open (causing splashing), as are the sides, so up to 3 per cent of the flour being ground—its main purpose—gets blown away.

Through the International Molinological Society he found details of a nineteenth-century Romanian horizontal water mill, not too dissimilar in design, but with spoon-shaped blades (also wooden), and with the water supply concentrated by a jet. A model of this Romanian

in the footbills of the Indian that he could increase his earnings by incorporating its improvements in his traditional

Now the adoption of the Romanian mill has become part of the Nepalese Government's five-year plan. For good measure, a very simple, wood-framed, locally-repairable electrical generator has been designed in kit form to harness the mill's hydraulic energy, and Mr. Gimpel's vision of "lighting up the Rimalayas with horizontal water wheels" is on its way to being realized.

to being realized.

Many of the models have been designed and made with John Evans of the Architectural Association, and with Don Hardwick and Ali Baghdadithe Egyptian-born designer of the generator kit—of Appropriate Technology Ltd. Another such model is of a fish farm, which Mr Gimpel thinks could even be introduced in England. First you build a raft. On that goes a small dwelling. Underneath goes a fish cage, through which water flows.

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"There are around 10,000 of these in the Mekong Deita," Mr Cimpel explained. "Through models, we intend to introduce them to Egypt, but using ferro-concrete, since there is little wood there."

With help from the World Bank, models are being used to spread the use of the Lorena cooking stove, evolved in Guste-mala five years ago, which

with scientific principles to enable combustion to be controlled and to halve fuel consumption.

Another model is of the famous Archimedean screw, a traditional way of lifting water from one level to another, wide-ly used still but unknown in some areas. Yet another is of the very efficient Chinese ver-sion of the methane gas diges-

as animal faeces.

Mr Gimpel's latest idea is the "negative" model, showing also how not to do things. One such two-sided model shows animals standing too close to a well, with dung seeping down into it through the earth. The other side shows what should be done: a fence holds them far enough back to protect the Adother shows villagers ploughing straight up or against a bill, so that rain washes the earth away. On the reverse: a model of contour ploughing, with furrows catching and re-

with furrows catching and re-taining the rain.

"You see the possibilities are unlimited", says Mr Gimpel. The field of health beckons, "I aim to do one that shows the effects of using polluted water to mix powdered milk: the mother mixing; the child crying and dying; the mother happily breast-feeding."

His friend John Bunyan, in-ventor of the Bunyan bag which revolutionized the treatment of badly burnt world war II pilots, believes there are many simple medical treatments which could be spread by the use of models.

medical treatments which could be spread by the use of models. Since they are simple and cheap, no one is interested in marketing them, he says.

It is now widely accepted that the only way to raise living standards in the poorest countries is to keep the rural populations our of the cities and make them more productive. There is some talk of the transfer of traditional technologies from one continent to another from one continent to another to help achieve this. Jean Gimpel and his associates believe their models are the best way of transferring such knowledge. It is ironical that in an age of satellite communications, a few small models incorporating centuries-old ideas should hold out the promise of relieving misery in distant villages.

Roger Berthoud

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Taking women into account

era Di Palma, familiar to he Times readers for her lucid nd attractively presented rticles on taxation, becomes resident today of the Associaue of the six professional countains: tvolutionary step. In a profesion in which they are unusual,
woman now holds a position
which is not merely influential,
nut seen to be influential.
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The mainspring of her ambion is, indeed, quite otherwise, he was born in Kentish Towo, lotth London, "in the days efore it was taken over by the addle classes. She chose to Pecialize in tax—partly for the nellectual challenge but arrly, as she readily admits, cause she thought it a good example, as she readily admires, etause she thought it a good are from which to launch her sault on higher management. The with tax as well as a female representative, into their midst. She has since proved her worth with a year as vice president, and another as deputy president, in preparation for this year in office. As chairman of her own association's council, and their representative on the consultative led nowhere. It was at ancy bodies (CCAB), she has the power to initiate developments for the profession as a whole. One of those she is most See from which to launch her save from which to launch her sault on higher management. The with tax as well as countancy qualifications, she ad difficulty in working arough the credibility gap at malop when she applied for a bin the tax department. Here were she says

a serious interest in what was happening in her association.

She had then, and has still, a strong interest in presenting

she had then, and has sim, a strong interest in presenting the case for accountancy as a career for women, and thought too little was being done about it. So, in conjunction with a small band of like-minded women, and with the help of the sympathetic secretary to the association, she formed a women's group to press their point of view. In a profession traditionally dominated by men, such feminine cabals were not likely to be well received: and indeed, all attempts to get women onto the council of the association initially failed. At this point, however, Miss Di Palma discovered that she had a political instinct. She manoeuvred the women's group so close to victory that the council of the association gave in gracefully and co-opted her, as a female representative, into their midst. She has since

likely to pursue would put the CCAB out of business.

She thinks that the present division of the accounting profession into six professional bodies is ridiculous. In rackling this problem she will have a trough fight. The last time that it was suggested that the six professional bodies should be amalgamated, the English Chartered Accountants threw the suggestion out — for motives variously attributed to jealous pride in their own exclusive status and resemment at being dictated to from London.

Another theme of her presidential year will be accountancy as a career for women. To some extent her earlier activities in this field have borne fruit already; for as against a female membership of only three per cent in 1965, five per cent of the members of the association are women now, and 26 per cent of the students registered with the association last year were girls. She thinks that the figure should be much higher—partly because an accountancy qualification in itself opens up all sorts of career possibilities, and partly because it is a profession it is possible to pursue with intermittent breaks, or on a part time basis.

A. L. Gleesnn

Child is the

third man

to hit two

centuries

New York, April 29.—Paul Child, of Britain, who is in his ninth season with the North American Soccer League, became the third man in the league's history to reach the 200pt mark as he stored mice for Memble Regues in a

twice for Memphis Rogues in a 4-3 victory over Atlana Chiefs. Under the NASL scoring system, a goal counts for two points and an "assist" for one point.

Child, aged 27, is off to one o

Child. aged 27, is off to one of his best starts with five goals in the Rogues's first five games. He led the NASL scoring in 1574 with 15 goals and six assists for 36 points. Other members of the "200 Club" are a Yugoslav, Ilija Mitic. now retired, who totalled

239 points in his NASL career, and

the still-active Italian striker of New York Cosmos, Georgio

Chilo's performance against Chiefs earned him the " player of

he week " award from sports

journalists.
George Best, the former Manchester United and Northern Ireland star. launched yet another comelack, this time in the colours of San José Earthquakes. He sent over the pess from which a South African. Andries Maseko, scored one of his two yeals for Farth.

over the pess from which a South African, Andries Maseko, scored one of his two goals for Earth-quakes, who were beaten 4—2 by Edmonton Drillers. A Canadian, Dwight Lodeweges, scored two goals for Edmonton, the other coming from a Dutch player, Jan Goosens, and a West German, Edward Kirschner.

Edward Kirschner.

Chinaglia, who has 233 pts.

Concerned that their protrac-

organization of the Cup Final on

Saturday week, and with their

gianing to worry.

to more g own fixture problems. Arsenal yesterday asked the Football Association to delay the final until May it. The FA refused but admitted that they were behis chair railways v Arsonal' arouty primarily con-cerns the fact that on the Wed-nesday after the final they are to play Valencia in the European Cup Winners' Cup doing the to play Valencia
European Cup Winners Cup
Final and that they still have
four league matches. Their
manager. Terry Neill, said be
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manager. Forty rent. Sale to could entitate concluding the programme well after returning from Brusselt list on the Friday after that the home international after that the home international championships begins, with Northern Ireland wanting some of their pavers on that day.

Arsenal and Liverpool will attempt their third semi-linal riplay at Highfield Road. Coventry, tomorrow, Should this again and without witners a fourth replay will be held at Bramall Lane. Sheffield on Monday followed by ret another try on Thursday, two days before the final riself. The prospect is a maltimate for the organizers, specially those involved in the production of programmes and dispressions. finoncial be forced the Minis replay will production of programmes and dis-tribution of the 25,000 uckets that so to each of the finalists. The Wembley authorities usually print 500,000 programmes. before.

Educa

I Ev Pamela Macgregor-Morris

The chairman of the rules com mittee. George Hobbs, answered questions on whether the rules had 520,000) challenge. He said that the three riders involved—David Broome, Eddte Macken and Harvey Smith—were entitled, as pro-fessionals. "to put their £1.333 spiece into the hat and jump for it". He added: "We must experiment, but I don't believe it

Joyce Taylor, in charge of the Juniors, thanked the Worshipful Company of Saddlers for their support over the past seven years The committee was asked for its imual reaction to the article about: British Equestrian Promonons in *The Sunday Times*. Beneral Blacker replied: "Total Jisbela!" and was not prepared

to answer questions. In a propared statement the public relations department, which is run by Raymond Brooks. Ward, expressed confidence in the chairman and managing direc-(Brooks-Ward) of British Equestran Promotions, who have made show Jumping prize money in Britain the highest in the world. They reject categorically any suggestion that the managing director of BEP has been remunerated excessively or unfairly to the detriment of the BSJA

Arsenal's programme for action on new FA Cup date rejected E" Voiman Fox Foriball Correspondent

until at least tomorrow, the number will be reduced to 200,000. A spokesman said the loss of advance sales had already cost Wembley 2100,000. ted semi-final round tie with Liverprol may not allow sufficient time for the proper If history repeats itself Liver-pool will lose the third replay. But the form line is not to be trusted since their carlier defeat at this stage of the arduous ever-Sheffield United, who went on to best Derby County 4-1 in the final. In those days, presumably, the pressure of matches would not have caused the embarrassment that will occur if there is yet another draw.

Liverpool are well used to fire demands of a wide range of com-petitions but even their mental and physical stamine is being tried. On Saturday they recome tried. On Saturday they require two points from their last home match against Aston Villa in order to be assured of winning the championship, albeit on superior goal difference if Manchester United win at Leggs.

Obviously, they would like to retain the tale in front of their own crowd and, currously, against the same team they heat to and the rate last season. Their manager, Bob Parsier, said: "United must be loughing their heads off." He would be loathe to go to biddlesbrough next week with his coan suil requiring one or two

From the evidence of Monda dramatic semi-final tie. in which Sunderland acroed for Arsenal within 20 seconds, Dalglish

full time, and for a while Liver-pool played strongly with 10 men, there is still no bint of the outcome. Liverprod finished powerfully and throughout normal time arracked the Arsenal goaltheir finishing was again inade-quate until Dalglish thrust in the equalizer that may have given him the decisive incentive he needed for the next meeting. He finished the game for hetter than he

large area around an eve in a collision with Fairclough when Liverpool were feverishly attacking Arsenal's goal, yesterday received the good news that if fit he would be able to play tomorrow because an FA commission decided not to suspend him for reaching 20 disciplinary points. He did not attend the hearing as he needed further treatment for a wound that, on the right, required five stitches. Fairtlough was also treated for a head injury but both

Mr Paisley, who had previously won a reputation for being able to field unchanged teams, complained that he was running out plained that he was running of players. The left back. Alan Kennedy, aggravated a hamstring minry and is unlikely to play again this season. His deputy. again this season. His deputy, Irwin, is also out for the remain-der of this term. Case, who could play in the defence, missed the



Whose shoulder to wheel? That of Case (left) still under treatment, it could be Cohen's.

Bond punishes Fashanu

Justin Fashanu, Norwich City's striker in disgrace, has been omitted from the team for tonight's game at Nottingham Forest. game at Nottingham Forest. Fashanu, who was severely casti-gated by his manager, John Bond, for butting David Rodgers, the Bristol City centre half on Satur-day, has apologized for his be-haviour and promised there will be no repetition.

His punishment may not end with being dropped however, for Bond meets the club's directors soug meets the club's directors on Friday to decide what fine should be imposed. In the meantime Greig Shepherd, the former Scottish youth international, will make his first appearance at the City Ground in Fashanu's place. Ted Croker, the FA secretary, yesterday gave his firm backing to the "buy British" campaign as

to the buy British campaign as England's footballers prepared to wear their new kit for the first time in the match against Argentina on May 13. Commenting on the FA's renewed five-year deal with the Admiral company from Leicester, Croker said: "I am only too ready to support anything British made."

Discounting criticisms that the Admiral kit were more expensively priced than those of the foreign opposition on the general market. Croker said: "I don't believe this is supported by the fact and if you look at the complexity of design on the England shirt and the general quality it seems to me it presents good value for money compared to foreign com-pettors. I believe the association

the third, and did much better in the rest of the series, with 79, 112, 40, 58, 123, and 37 not out.
But he was not thought to be

the best young Australian bats-man, not by many: that was surely Archie Jackson, whose 164

in the fourth Test (he opened the

innings, and had lost his first

three partners when the total was 19) had everyone talking about Trumper. Jackson's was the classi-

cal style, or the romantic style,

or each by turns, according to his mood or your definitions (he died young, which certainly had a romantic touch).

Bradman's style was neither

classical nor romantic. He was not caregorizable. He did not die

voung _ i cannot think of any more

improbable candidate for early death. At the end of that tour.

Maurice Tate is supposed to have said to him, "You'll have to keep that hat of yours a bit straighter, Don, or you won't make many runs in England". In the light of what Bradman did to Tate in 1930, it is a cruel recollection.

lection. 75 not out, at the close, in 96
Apart from the Tests, Bradman minutes. The next day he took had provided evidence of his his score to 236, in 276 minutes.

By Alan Gibson

Admiral has had with England for the past five years has been tramendous."
Northampton Town have given two of their most experienced players. John Farrington and Jim McCaffrey, free transfers. Others released are their goalkeeper, Carl Jayes. Steve Ward, a midfield player, and Russell Ashenden and Glenn Perkins, both former

Today's fixtures

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SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Middle Division, Bedford v Trowbridge. Cheltotham v Stoutherde. Enderby v Minehead. Kidderminster v King's Lynn, Merthylydiu v Bedworth Bouthern Division. Aylesburg v Addicatone. Farcham Town Y Poole. Waterlooville v Chelmstord.
MORTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE: Buchon v Frickley. Macclesheid v Gateshead, Mailock v Southport, Mosslev v Tamworth. Oswetry v Netherfield. South Liverpool v Marine.
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Fig: doubts over Olympic football participation

Rossi suspended

Zürich, (Switzerland), April 29. Only half the 16 countries qualified for the Olympic football tournament in Moscow next July have so far confirmed they will participate, Fifa, the international football federation, said today.

Egypt, Malaysia and the United States have announced they will not take part, and answers are still awaited from Ghana and Iran. Yugoslavia, Spain and Norway have said they will play if their respec-tive national Olympic committees

decide to enter the games.

Countries which will participate are the Soviet Union, East Germany, Czechoslovalcia, Algeria, Kuwait, Argentina, Colombia and Costa Rica.

Fifa said its amateur committee, which is due to meet in Morrow.

which is due to meet in Moscow on May 14 and 15, will decide on replacements for countries which stay away from the games. In the past, the next highest-placed teams in respective qualifying groups have been incited to take the places of those who drop out.

The tournament will be composed of four groups of four teams each.—Reuter.

Football

Cricket Council reject Derbyshire's appeal

By John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent

The game's authorities may save another court case on their hands as a result of yesterday's decision by the Cricket Council appeals committee to uphold the ban on Barry Wood, imposed by the Test and County Cricket Board, from playing without delay for Derby-shire.

In theory the council's rejection of Derhyshire's appeal that Wood should be granted immedi-ate registration rather than wait until luly to play for them seems eminently reasonable. Wood, it will be remembered, having resupporters a mammoth tax-free henefit of \$52,429, refused forth-with to accept terms for the com-ing season, though these were an improvenies on those of 1979.

On the face of it, this would appear to be jest such a case of disloyalty as the Cricket Council and the Test and County Cricket and the Test and County Cricket Board has a duty to counteract. It is also in the counties' own interests that the county game should not become, as football has, an open market. The counties, including Berbythire, have made it their business to guard against this, although there is now a rather freer movement of players between one county and another than there used to be.

By the timing of his rejection of Lancashire's terms Wood antagonized even his own friends. At a time when the code of conduct among first-class cricketers peeds badly to be reestablished, the determination of the council and the beand as their for rejection.

termination of the council and the board to strike a blow for principle was understandable.

But it is not as simple as that due to that all-engulfing phrase "restraint of trade". If Larcashire were still keen for Wood to stay with them, he would have somewhere to earn his living and therefore a much weaker case that he has. Hardly surprisingly, they

of registration or for that matter of perhadical discipline, and a-man's moral obligation to his em-ployers means little in a court

It is because of this that the ricketers' union, the Players' As-sociation, have said they will back Wood in whatever further action he chooses to take. While they may not agree with his motives, they do feel that Lancashire, as somewhat intransigent in their actions, and they consider it harsh that he should be given the same senierce as Imjan Khan, when, in 1977, he opted to leave Worcester-

The Players' Association thought it fair enough that Imran, whom Wornestershire were rejuctant to rejease, should have to wait until July before playing for Sussex they feel differently about Wood because Lancashire have no mon use for him. If he loses approxi marely three-quarters of his salary from Derbyshire for missing three-quarters of the season, it will cost him 55,000, probably more, and that is a sizable fine.

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The apprecies sub-committee of the Cricket Council comprised Caris Balderstone (supporting the Players' Association), David Clark representing the National Cricket Association) and Peter May representing the National Cricket Association) and Peter May representing the Test and County Cricket Board). They met under the chairmanship of Oliver Papplewill, a member of MCC, an old Camividge Blue and a Queen's Counsel, though in this case an independent arbiter. Presumably, independent arbiter. Fresumably, if the chairman felt that the Cricket Council, by supporting Wood's suspension, were laying themseives open to litigation, he would have said so. Perhaps he did—bur they docided to make a stand to protect the same from the commercialism which threatens



Barry Wood; he has intringed no cules of registration.

Jack Russells of cricket in India in 1973, when he was told by his captain that he was playing across the line, he snapped tack- "You do your jeb slipper and I'll do mine." With the hacking of the Players' Association the chances are that he will sug; I suppose he may even seek as injunction, which, if, granted, would enable him to appear for Derbyshire until his case more heard.

Gooch lifts England spirits with magnificent 205

CAMBRINGE: Combridge Univer-sity drew with Essex. It was another cold day at Fenners, though the sun gave us a glance in the afternoon, presum-ably bared by Gooch, who played an interest of magnificance. He scored 205 in 227 minutes, with 36 fours and four sixes; it was his highest score in first-class circlest and suppleicable only his his highest score in first-class cricket and, surprisingly only his eleventh century. His previous highest score was 136 at Westcliff four years ago. I happened to see it and remember how T. C. Dodds—an Essex opener of similar style though dissimilar build—was impressed by it.

The pitch configured to play apply the autifulation for the pitch of the pitc

though dissimilar build—was impressed by it.

The pinch continued to play easily, the outfield was fast and the bowling hot very taxing, but 200 ar getting on for a run a minute takes some doing in any class of cricket—and it is good news for England that Gooch is in form so early in the season. His principal stroke, was as usual the drive, but there was nothing of the desperate lunge about it, as sometimes there is when he is not timing the ball well. He was even nimble: once he slightly misjudged the length of a ball from Doggart, beat his left knee slightly, moved his right foet back a couple of inches, and stroke thand, a stroke such as Hammond might nate. Pletcher's innings was also interesting from an England aspect, since many consider him a cossibility as captain. He did not begin very securely and it was some time before he took the secure of the cost of the secure of the eve-which was not surprising with Gooch at the other end—but he reached his 50 in an hour and a reached his 50 in an hour and a quarter. Densess, not our over-might, did not but in the morning. He went to hospital for a check on pain in his leg; resports are encouraging and he is expected to play today. Hardie, taking his place, played a brick inmings. The first wicket fell at 224, the

Worrying injury news for the England selectors provides a sad prelode t o the 1980 county cham-pionsip, which begins with a full programme roday. Derbyshire will be written their England fast bowlet, Hendrick, for at least

bowier, Hendrick, for at least three weeks; the shoulder injury which forced him to return home from the winter tour of Australia is still not right and there must be doubts about his availability for the first Test against Wist In-dies at Trent Bridge starting on June 5.

Essex, who won the champion-ship and Benson and Hedges Cup-last season go into their opening match at Swansea against the 1979

woden-spoonists, Glamorgan, with a doubt about Demiess, who has

second—Gooch's to a catch at mid-on—at 335, and Essex carried on batting. There was never much chance of a finish after Saturday's rain so it was sensible of them to take the practice—though it was not very interesting after Gooch was out.

Russom, who is qualified for Russom, who is qualified for Somerser, and Crawford, who is a Yorkshireman, were the most effective bowlers. Russom got effective bowlers. Russom got Fletcher out, a smart caught and bowled; Crawford showed pluck to recover thuself and bowl steadily after McEwas had hit him

steadily after McEwan had hit him for three fours in the first over of the day, and Gooch did the same in the third.

Bad light and drizzle stopped play at five o'clock, to the relief of everyone, except possibly East, who was settling down to one of his longer lumings. A cut he made, with a powerful follow-through, travelled gently to stily mid-on, while he was casting his game triumphantly, towards the third man boundary. Thus, in its way, was as memorable as anything was as memorable as anything

R. Fleicher, c and b R. Pont. c Doscert. b Holliday
R. Harrice. c Sept-Make. b
Crawford
Phillip. b Russom
Smith. c Pringle. b Craw-E. East. not out
L. Acfleid, c Peck, b Caretoni
K. Lever, not out
Extras (1-b 3, n-b 15, w 4)

a swollen knee. Glamorgan, re-

The South African fast bowler,

Le Roux, plays for Susstx against Somerset

Hendrick still out of action

Botham and weather are two unavoidable subjects

Privately-made

Privately made resolutions before play began at The Britation to try and avoid a reference to either the weather or lan Rotham in this report, were randered obsolete yesterday by Circumstances. It was, if anything even colder and more numbing to the hopes and senses than it had been on Monday; but he players on the hour. The man it is impossible to escape mentioning took three wickers in the closing stages with gentle off breaks and also held a allo catch.

By five o'clock the Somerset team were heading down to Taunton in their fleet of Saghs for today's championship game with Sussex. Gayasker does not join them until year week, but there is no reason to think that insoler rewarding summer dops not lie abead. For Oxford the immediate future is less promiting with the demands of the examiners should to take six leading players away for several matches.

Somerset declared at their overnight total, which left the university a target of 194 sups. For the second time in the match, Durgels and Orders made some sood-looking strokes but inevitably in

and Orders made some goodlooking strokes but inevitably in
the freezing conditions there was
little significance to a great deal
of the cricket.

Botham, wearing five sweaters
yesterday, did not open the bowling with Moseley and it was insstand in Popplewell, who quickly
claimed the wirket of Eselcowits,
a promising South African freshman. Six hours by Esekowits, at
his books after play on highday
might was probably not the ideal
preparation for an early ball that
lifted sharply and carried off the
glove to short leg, Rawimson, at
tall, rather rigid batsman, and as
orthdox stroke-maker, atayed

tall, rather rigid batsman, and an orthdox stroke-maker, stayed some time before being boyded without moving his feet.

Durack, playing more freely than in the first findings, was always willing to try and store on the leg side against anything loose, but was undone by Break-well's spin. Rogers again looked a thorough cricketer before he played across a ball from the same bowler. Oxford were 124 for when Botham's off-spin from a three-yard run was fried, and from the start he obtained more turn than either Breakwell or Marks.

It was a quicker, almost slung hall, however, that brought Botham his first success. Orders had pulled two boundaries from successive balls before he was surprised by the next ball's increased pace. In the next ower, MacPherson was heaten as he groped forward and then later Mallert, too, was decrived. a swollen knee. Glamorgan, reinforced by an influx of new
faces, include three overseas players in their party—Javed Miandad, Moseley and Ontong, but
only two can play.

Surrey's attack will lack the
Barbadian, Clarke, who only
arives in England poday. Their apponents at the Oval, Hampshire,
have the fast-medium bowler from
Australia, Graf, in their team.
Kent, third favourites for the
tide, have no problems for the tide,

Ross and Suicliffe lingured briefly streamed and it was the spought of rish bour traffit hom-ing, perhaps, that caused Rose to decide that enough was ground. He, replaced Borken, with Maris.

A record 275 jours of commend-tary will be heard by BBC Radio Three's circket estappiasis this summer when the West Indies and Australia will be resting lingland Extel.

Today's cricket

SWANSEA: Glemergen T Esers CANTERBURY: Kent T Northempter TAUNTON: (11.50 to 7.0). OVAL: Starter 6.50) WORCESTER: Worcestereinte OXFORD: Oxford University war-wireshire (II 30 to 6.50)

Fro Equestrianism

Experiment is unlikely to continue

A great day in

the double life

of an Irishman

Kavin Moran, the Manchester United defender, and Gary Waddeck, the Queen's Park Rangers midited player, win their first cars for Republic of Ireland against Switzerland at Lansdowne Road tonight. Alan Kelly, who is the Republic's new manager, an neuncod this yesterday. Moran's inclusion is unique. He will be have played Gaelic football at top level.

nave played Gaene football at top level.

Recalled to the side is Dave Lengan; the Derby County full back, who was out of farour during Johnny Gles's managership ever the past two years. The Arsenai quartet of John Device, Dave O'legay, Llam Berdy and

Dave O'Leary, Liam Brady and Frank Stapleton were not con-sidered because of their FA Cup

and European Cup-Winners' Cup commitments. Nor was Steve Heighway because of Liverpool's cup game against Arsenal to-

The game against Arsenal Commorrow.

REPUBLIC OF IRELAND: G. Peyton (Ful)am' D. Langan (Derby County).

N. Lewtenson 'Brighton: K. Woran (Vianchesjer United 15. Hughton 170-tonham, Hotspur. G. Daly (Derby County). A. Grealith (Lutan Townsept). G. Waddock (Queen's Park Rangers). "Givens Firmingham Gily, M. Ger (Preson North End. G. Ryan (Srighton).

Decision delayed: The Eques-trian Federation of Ireland has

postponed until May 16 a decision

on whether to send teams or Individual competitors to the Olympic Games in Moscow.

The Duke of Wellington was elected president of the British Show Jumping t Association a Sadders Hall. London, yesterday on the proposal of the retiring General Sir Cecil

members, sponsors or shows.

bowling strength is about akin to that of an average Loudon club side if, sometimes, as good "... There was also the thought that Ponsford, whose record of 437
Brudman had broken, find twice
scored over 400 in Australian
cricket, but we had kept him under control on English pitches in

So when Bredman went out to bat at Worcester in 1930, nobody prepared for the miracle. I use the word in the O.E.D. defini-tion: "a maryellous event exceeding the known powers of cature ".
Bradman's inmags at Worcester
was not in itself a miracle (as had scored 206 in his first innings for the Australians in England) but it was a declaration of miraculous intent. The next 18 years (six lost to the war) provided a series of events which exceeded the known powers of batsmen, be-fore or since. Without going intostatistical detail. I remind century about one in three times he went to the wicket. Worcestershire batted first that day, and after they were bowled out, Bradman had time to score

The summer of 1930: Bradman scores off Tate in the Lord's Test on his way to 254.

Irving Rosenwater, in his admirable biography of Bradman, explains in a foomote why the played for England in the pre-

to play tourists for their opening match, regularly, and only Worcestershire said yes. This arrangement lasted for many years, and Worcestershire must have felt rewarded for their risks with the spring weather. All four of Bradman's tours to England began at Worcester, and his scores were three double centuries and a century (the last was in 1948, and I dare say he could have made it another double, but the muscles were beginning to ask questions and the younger men needed a chance). Think of an Australian tour in those years, and your first thought is of Bradman and Worcester.

Yorkshire at Sheffield in 1938). He came near to admitting this expect; a champion billiards player to perform on anything but a perfect cloth. He did have some Inck. He falled, by his own extractional tour the last was in 1948, and it he falled, by his own extractional tour standards, against body about another double, but the muscles were beginning to ask questions and the younger men needed a gainst Hedley Verity, because thought is of Bradman and Worcester.

According to Mr Rosenwater, Wilfred Rhodes, who wanted the 1930 immgs, said afterwards to his fellow-Yorkshireman Wadding-ton, "Abe, I have just seen the greatest batsman the world has ever seen". This may be so, though we only have Wadding-ton's word for it, and it sounds very unlike Wilfred. He was in his last season, and nearly got Bradvery unlike Wilfred. He was in his least season, and nearly got Bradman out first ball in the Scarborough Festival ("'twould ha' been nice to get Bon out first ball for a duck"). His later comments were somewhat less conclusive—"Best I've ever seen, aye hest I've ever seen, aye heat of the Bombons, that he learned nothing and forgot nothing the head no progeniters. He had no progeniters. He

perspective of cricket history; will surely be seen as a spectacular surely be seen as a spectacular irruption. Grace in his early years was as dominant among battmen, but Grace drew upon an orthodox tradition, magnified it, and otherwise left it much as he had found it. Bradman, from the start, played in his own way, never quite orthodox, but so successful it could not be called mesonad, and never changed it, though he ments were somewhat less conclusive. Best I've ever seen, aye hast I've ever seen, aye has a forgot nothing and forgot nothing. He had no progenitors. He learned nothing and forgot nothing. He had no progenitors. He founded no school. He left no successors. The only other great hatsman of whom this might be said of him, in an altogether more complimentary sense in the said of him, in an altogether more complimentary sense in the source of the Bourbons, that he learned nothing and forgot nothing. He had no progenitors. He successors. The only other great hatsman of whom this might be said of him, in an altogether more complimentary sense.

Boxing

New American steps in to take on MWale

Lusaka, April 29.—The American light-heavyseight Don Addison has whindreson from a fight against the Commonwealth champion Lotte Mwele of Zambie here on Sunday, the fight promoter said-roday. The promoter Gloson Mwosu The promoter Cabson, Awasi said that Addison had suffed out on the grounds that he had understood his opposed would be another Zambian boxer, not Mwale who is the dealing contender. If the world harding contend (WBC) ranking for the WBC title held by Marinew Saad Mahammad of the United States. Marine will how face another American Charley Taria of Taria of Marines on Sunday. Tarna of Los Angeles on Sunday.

On the same bill, the British feather weight. David, heedham the technique of Zambia. Budy Koopmans of the Netherlands will defend his Zuropean light heavyweight tade in Differ dingen. Lincembourg, on Juje 20 against Fred Serves of Lincomhoung. Serves has been possibleted by the European Boutag Unson (ERID) as the official challenger. Koopmans aged 31, won the sule from the fullant and Traversare in March 1979 and Just since Tarna of Los Angeles on Sund

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four iron at the form Miliary
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chaplain partner who then
stepped up to him has an label
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Today 50 years ago Bradman played his first match in this country: few Englishmen then knew much about him The cricket comet who will be long remembered by his lights which had not happened before, with the Australians. The counties had been asked if they would like to play tourists for their opening. ability with big scores in Australian cricket. In January 1930, he had broken the world batting record, with 452 not out for New South Wales against Queensland. occasionally he provided some contrary evidence (as against Yorkshire at Sheffield in 1938). Fifty years ago, on April 30, Bradman played in his first match in England. Only those who followed Australian cricket closely But Englishmen were not much -not many in this country in impressed by these domestic Australian occasions. Bradman those days, when it was rare for an English newspaper to send or employ its own correspondent for an overseas tour—knew much had made the runs, wrote E. H. D. Sewell (who was not there), against a team "whose general about him. He had been chosen for the first Test of the 1928-9 tour, scored 18 (held back to No. 7) and 1, and was dropped for the second. He was recalled for

Deening night of Big D Walwyn can solve Ascot puzzle How jars as JR By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent Course and distance at the Royal Abroad can complement in the afternoon, Just Carson should valuable White to the total to the total t how jars as JR iddles with the rackets

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25 points remaining for the slam, he was awkwardly for the green. It rested the top cushion and, using ast, he tried unsuccessfully puble it into one of the n pockets. So the sum of 0, the sponsors' award for aximum break, sluded him, he third frame Davis cleared able with a break of 136 was all grace and ease, to the highest mark for the it tournament, set by Kirk is. of Canada. After Davis lotted the last red. he took 25 points remaining for the intred the last red. he took ink, which brought his total 8, and then belied himself e 27 points available. After

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scaling overion to th Charlton, of Australia, leading 5—3. Playing with growing assurance, Stevens took his lead to 10—6. He won the first three frames of the afternoon before Charlton found his touch to take the next two, making a break of 66 in the 13th frame. Two other Camdians, Cliff Thorburn and Jim Woch stormed another last sight Wych, started another last eight match in which Thorburn ecovered his composure o lead 5—3 after dropping the first two

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Skiing

an who missed | Liechtenstein end Miss Wenzel's amateur days

Leith Macklim

Topsyturry nature of sportortune is exemplified in the
fences during the past year
eurge Fairbairn, the Wigan
Great Britain full-back, who
been appointed Wigan coach
ctession to the new St Helens
, Kel Coslett.

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known as a Britain Ski Federation. Together with her brother
Andreas who wants to remain an
amateur, Miss Wenzel has put the
small principality astride the SwissAustrian border into the ranks
of the leading skiing nations.
Among those beaten in the World
Cup, for instance by Liechtenstein
which has just seven skilifts and
some 6,000 registered skiers, were
Canada and the Soviet Union, two
countries which are covered by
far larger areas of snow.

Being holder of the B licence
means Miss Wenzel is entitled to
sign publicity contracts and contions and, in the face of opposifrom established coaches,
sairn was given the Wigan
At 25 it is a big challenge
he is full of confidence that
in give to coaching the drive
mergy he gives to playing.

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Modern pentathlon

Cycling

Racing

Carson should stanage to win the valuable White Rose Stakes, just as they did 12 months ago with Milford, whose subsequent career as a stallion in Ireland has run into difficulties by all accounts. Their runner this time is Prince Ree, who ran "a promising race at Newmarket when he finished second to Royal Fountain, in the Wood Ditton Stakes. Carson was not bard on him that day, when he realized that Royal Fountain had his measure; yet Prince Bee still finished several lengths in front of both Dukedom and Rapid Class. 'Finally, it was confirmed yesterday that Brian Rouse will be aboard Outck As Lightning, in tomorrow's 1,000 Guineas. Still on the classic front, there were no surprise absences from the list of acceptas for Saturday's 2,000 Guineas & yesterday's four day forfeit stage. In all, 16 still stand their greated.

Racing Correspondent

Ascot today sets the tone for the rest of the week with a splendid card, built around the Victoria Cup, which it inherited from Hurst Park in 1962. Sponsored nowadays by Antobar Ltd, this seven-furione handkap has always been a difficult puzzle to solve and a hard race to win. However, one man who can claim to have a fair idea as to the right sort of horse needed for the jub is Peter Walwyn, who has tuice come up with the correct answer; in 1969 with Town Cried and again four years ago with Record up with the correct answer; in 1969 with Town Gried and again four years ago with Record Token. This time Waiwyn is relying upon Kampala and there is ground for thinking that he should not be wide of the target.

Kampala's sights have been set on this objective ever since he strolled away with the Unicheq Sprint at Salisbury on the day that the Grand National was occupying most people's attention at Liverpool. Anyone who was at the Wiltshire course could not have failed to be impressed both by Kampala's looks in the paddock and by the way he ann. He looked a much-improved colt, as he will need to be this afternoon, if he is to show a clean pair of heels to the likes of Blue Refrain, House Guard, Golden Elder and Jenny Splendid.

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Ascot programme

2.30 SAGARO STAKES (£7,544 : 2m)

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AUTOBAR VICTORIA CUP HANDICAP (
3 210020 - Alert (B.D.), C. Brittair, 4-9-5
0321071 - Blue Refrain (BD) C. Bensisad, 4-1
20021-1 Rampala (D), P. Valwyn, 4-9-5
1210-00 House Guard (CD), R. Armstrong, 8-1
1011-00 Chaiset (D), T. Fairhurst, 4-9-2
041001 - Bense (B), R. Houghton, 8-8-6
10103-40 Overtrick, J. Dunkey, 5-8-6
1012-30 Be Better, I. Baiding, 5-8-3
10132-0 Gotten Elder, T. Waugh, 0-8-1
200-002 Inside Quarter (B), Drays Britts, 4-8-2
10132-0 Gotten Elder, T. Waugh, 0-8-1
200-000 Seat Singer (B), E. Switz, 5-7-10
2213-40 Saher, R. Bhother, 4-7-11
200-002 Seat Singer (B), E. Switz, 5-7-10
000-004 Bazerback, C. Aurtin, 5-7-8
2 House Guard, 5-1 Kampale, 13-2 Golden Elder, st. 10-1 Se Better, 12-1 Inside Quarter, Overtrick, sthers.

2.15 NESS STAKES (Selling: 3-y-o: £914: 1m)

2.45 BYWELL STAKES (3-y-o maidens : £836 : 2m)

3.15 BARTON COTTAGE STAKES (2-y-o : £1,683 : 5f)

Gorgeous Giri, K. Stone, 6-4 ... 6-4 Delegarth, 7-3 Tumbledownhill, 9-2 Soli Action. 8-1 Tendermest, 12-1 Take Shelter, 20-1 c

4.15 ABBEY LANDS STAKES (3-y-o: £1,033 : 6f)

4.45 BROMPTON HANDICAP (£1,601: 1m 4f)

5.15 LEVY BOARD HANDICAP (Apprentices : £1,040 : 1m)

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Stockton results

1.45 (),48) SEAMER STAKES (Maid-ens; 5-y-0; £958: lm)

2.15 (2.17) LIMBER STAKES (Selling: 2-y-c: £415: 5f)

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Basism, at Newmarket, 1'9, 21.

2.45 CAPTAIN COOK STAKES (Handicap: £1,337: 1'am)

JUSTASS PRINCE, ch y, by Sun
Prince—Theban Queen (G. Hithbard), 5-6-4 P. Robinson (15-8) ;
Sansteine Lie R. Sidebettom (9-1) 2

Lat's Panca ... M. Birch (7-1) 3

ALSO RAN: 7-4 far Gotzway Girl
(Jth), 13-1 Three Ways, 26-1 First Life,
Righam Grey, Ophum Queen, 10 Fan.
TOTE: Win, 27p; placas, 14p, 25p,
26p. Dust F: 5-52p. CSF: £1,91, F.

Durr, at Newmarket, 61, 2's.

3.5 AUTOBAR VICTORIA CUP HANDICAP (£9,942 : 71)

the Jersey stakes over today's course and distance at the Royal meeting, was as much the 10 lb superior to to Kampala. Yet today, the difference between them is only 2 lb. Whereas Kampala has aircady laid bare his claim to be seen in a much more favourable light, Blue Refrain has still to run this season. House Guard, on the other hand, has run this spring and, although he may not have caught the judges' eye yet, he certainly caught mine at Nawbury, when he finished ninth in the Spring Cup.

His performance that day signalled that Robert Armstrong would soon have him in the form of last year, when he won six times. Anyone who was present at Ascot towards the end of september will be only too well aware of what Lester Piggott and House Guard can do together, when they are in tune. On that occasion, they finished too strongly for Jenny Splendid. Today the two horses meet on the same terms.

Golden Elder appears to have a clear chance of beating Jenny Splendid. At Haydock last autumn Jenny Splendid won by two lengths, but Golden Elder was giving her 22 lbs then and now they are only 7 lb apart. Golden Elder ran well enough behind Kampala's stable companon. New Berry, at Kempton Park on Easter Monday to suggest that he will do aven better today. Last year, it was possible to argue that flipt Refrain, who won

J. Lynch
B. Rouse
P. Eddery
L. Pigott
B. Raymont
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B. Themas
B. J. Lore
E. Johnson

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Higgins 5
Swinburn 5
G. Gray
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L. Salmon
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V. Connorton 1.
V. Cameron 7 1.
L. Beecroft 7 8
N. Byrns 7 8
B. Jottes 7
Pockham 7 4
V. Fortune 7 16
Paul Eddery 9
J. McClean 14

E. Hodeson 10
McLeughlin 7 67
J. Donne 7 17
H. Carlies 3
C. Holgate 7 13
G. Brown 7

5.15 (5.18) CRATHORNE STAKES (2-y-0; £1,149; 5f)

BOHRMIAN RHAPSODY, b. by OR Your Mark Schull (Mrs F. Chichester), B. Lago (4-6 fav) Andy Lot ... E. Hide (5-1) Crosmy ... J. Sesgrave (11-2)

Creamy ... J. Segrave (11-2) 3

ALSO RAN: 8-1 Loch Boyle (4th):

RISH SOLITAIRE, b c. by On Your Mark—Scaledte (G. Eartholo-new), 7-15 . J. Lowis (15-2 Severatio J. Red (5-2) Symbol Ress P. Eddery (6-4 Rev)

ALSO BAN: 7-1 Glasgows Pet, 10-1 Burglars, Tip. 20-1 Salford Suprame (4th), Vara. 25-1 Handy Saint, & ran.

TOTE: Win. 51p pieces, 20p. 11p. 24p; that forecast, £1.05; CSF, £2.51. Dehys Smith, 4: Bishop Auckind, Sh hd. 1 kg.

Earlier in the afternoon, Just Abroad can complement the 1,000 Guineas favourite, Saison, by winning the Aimers Coffee Stakes. When Saison won the first race of her career at Newbury 12 days ago, Just Abroad was the filly who finished second. Although she never looked like troubling the winner, she still ran well enough to encourage me to think that a race of this nature should be well within her reach. Loralane, who won a similar race at Newmarket a few days earlier, must give Just Abroad 4 lbs and that should prove adifficult.

A year ago, the Sagaro Stakes, which has been sponsored again by Mono Containers Ltd. (as won by that good stayer Nicholas Bill, who went on to win the Jockey Club Cup at Newmarket. Sadly, Nicholas Bill will not be cause a solint bone is causing anxiety. However, even in his absence, his standing should remain high, because Vincent, the horse he beat at Newmarket, must have a great chance of beginning his season where he left off last, of a victorious note. The fast ground will undoubtedly suit last year's Queen's Vase winner, Buttress, but even he may not be able to give as much as 5 lbs to a stayer of Vincent's calibre.

Whatever their luck with 7 tress Dick Hern and Willie

3.40 WHITE ROSE STAKES (Group III : 3-y-o; £9297 : 1m 2f) 4.10 GARTER STAKES (2-y-o: £3,085: 5f) Amerous (D), J. Hindles, 8-4". Grain Raca (S), B. Hobber Anether Realm, F. Durr, 8-11 My Morton, U. Munter, 8-11 Perdecas, C. Austin, 8-21 CHOBHAM HANDICAP (Apprentices:

SWILLEY COUNSE)

571 1030-00 Pink Tank (B), M. Ryan, 7-10-0
565 252-0 Sente (D), P. Wallay C. 4-2-3
564 2520-1 Les Ashuryt (B), M. Ryan, 7-10-0
564 2520-1 Les Ashuryt (B), M. Ryan, 7-10-0
565 40120-3 Cook Ashuryt (B), M. Ryan, 7-10-0
569 40120-3 Cook Ashuryt (B), Turnell 4-5-12
560 40120-3 Cook Market Fire (B), Turnell 4-5-12
561 400-00 Printer Fire (C), J. Referend (B), S. Harris, 5-5-0
561 400-00 Ruty (B,D), S. Harris, 5-5-0
561 400-00 Ruty (B,D), S. Harris, 5-5-0
561 400-00 Leta Copp. C. Austin, 4-7-7
5-2 Lee Ashuryt 7-2 Busting, 5-1 Razes Nolina, 6-1
Moment, 12-1 Cades, 14-1 Pink Tank, 15-1 others. **Ascot selections** By Michael Phillips 2.00 JUST ABROAD is specially recommended, 2 Kampela. 3.40 Prince Bes. 4.10 My Morton. 4.40 S

By Our Newmarket Correspondent. 2.0 Loralane. 2.38 Vincent. 3.05 House Guard. 3.48 Siming Tor. 4.16 Amorous. 4.40 Cades.

Devon and Exeter NH programme 2.15 DARTMOOR HURDLE (Div 1; novices: £679:2m 1f) 2.45 TOM CUNDY CHASE (Hunters: £730: 2m 2f)

Benton-Ellied Mr G. Cann G. Edwards 3.15 HALDON HARRIERS HURDLE (Selling handicap: £395: 2m 1f)

3 4012-1 Engineed Marshall (C), M. Phys. 5-11-5

2 E3400 Engineed Marshall (C), M. Phys. 5-11-5

3 2012-1 Fargelaboutes, D. Barrons, 5-10-1

4 310-20 Fargelaboutes, D. Barrons, 5-10-5

6 302-20 Fargelaboutes, D. Rerons, 5-10-5

6 000 Taya's Fascy, R. Keenor, 5-10-0

7 000 Taya's Fascy, R. Keenor, 5-10-0

7 000 Terridge Lily, R. Martin, 5-10-0

Set Eastwood Marshall, 7-2 Forgetaboutes, 4-1 Eq. P.

But Bent, 8-1 Tanga's Fancy, 16-1 others. -6 R Arcins
Shi-ion
Jahn Williams
P Leach
M Williams
G Gray
M Williams
C Astbory
R Milliams 3.45 SILVERTON CHASE (Handicap: £1,535: 2m'2f)

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41410a Stanway Las, D. Nicholson, 9-10-10
002-400 Sees For Sale, L Wardie, 9-10-3
122330 Virgin Siave (C), J. Wight, 9-10-1
12230 Virgin Siave (C), P. Rogers, 7-10-0
122310 Think Big, A. Silvester, 7-10-0
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J. Stockton 14 4.45 DARTMOOR HURDLE (Div 2: novices: £648; DANEMUUR HURDLE (Div 2: novices: £64

4.2 Besten Pelet, T. Rulell. 5-11: 5

9 Cherry Larks. J. Webbar. 7-11: 5

10 Heredes Artist. T. Hallett. 5-11: 5

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10 O-74 Regist. R. Turnell. 5-11: 3

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10 Person Service. 5-11: 5

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By Our Racing Staff.
2.15 Hever. 2.45 Cinbar. 3.15 Eastwood Marshall. 345 Stanway Lad.
4.15 Haybale. 4.45 Boston Point. 5.15 Given Double Soul Singer and 4.50 (4.51) ROBSUNGHE HURDLE
HEADSCOPE TUTY 2m)
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3.0 (3.1) SUNLAWS HURBLE (4-5-6 novices: £504: 2m) ALSO RAN: 744 By Adoration. 8-1 Rrivate Businese, 9-1 Just Throthy (p), 12-1 Hope of Car. 14-1 Menry Hatman, 20-1 Welrome Sight, Main-A-San, 25-1 Liver Gold, Evendey Lad. 1915 Ossis, 35-2 Anga Gardien, Haddasione Queen. (4m), Welsh Orak. 16 Fah. CHASE "Handicap: E370; 3m)
GLERN, 'br d by Le Tricolors—
Flaming Pergus, \$10,0' (5-2)
Calibratic

(4.20) HEMLINGTON STAKES taldens: 2845; 1 m) (Maidens; 2545; 1°20)

KHARI KATE, ch f, by Brigadler
Gentri-Otapa, (Sir P. Oppenhelmer). 4-9-7

P. Eddery (6-4 fev)

Soler Emparer . E. Apeer (55-1)

Marganz Burl . . . T. Ivas (8-1) ALSO RAN: 7-1 Frame Hm. Mace Delight (443), Red Artis: 8-1 Flight Sheet, Pongo Pongo. 11-1 Tanatha. 1-1 Anox. 23-1 Richesse, Swing Ma. Weish Valley, Charlie Theodore. 14: The Totte: Win. 55: place 249. 45: 00. 35p: dual forwess. 212.22. CSF. 25: 84: PLACEPOT: \$2.85.85. R. Wrang, at Newmarket. \$1.21.

Galdback Goolding (7-4 it fav) 2 R. Lamb (7-4 it fav) 3 ALSO RAN: 9-1' Whitsmooth (p). 4 TLETON, by 8 by Early Con-Silver Sorat S-11 Car 12-2 J Peckitt (evens, fav) 7. Salby Crests, P Balvon (4-1) 2. Pee Wee, Mils V. Alder (25-1) 3.

5.0 (5.1) MELERSTAIN C HARE (Novices: 2710) 2m 195yd (CAY INVADER, 2 by Erste Invader Sanahing Kelly 5.11-5 (R. Lamb (2-1) 1 Fair Perses R. Lamb (2-1) 2 Westher All C. Grant (8-1) 3 ALSO BAN 2h fay Grahem Dieu ALSO PAN: 754 fav Gruham Dien (2) 161 Human (401, 6 rap. 100 per (p), Taigra (401, 6 rap. 100 per (p), Taigra dual forecast, 60c CSF: 11.01 w A. Stephanson, at Hapip Auckland, 21, pl. 5.50'(5.51) HUMA NURBLE (Mal amateurs: 2451: 5m 1f 120yd) Amaleurs: 2001: No 11 150yd.

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Birshy A.S. Roese fay Marriaghall
(?), 10-1 Legense, 12-1 Stone Knight,
20-1 Artsum (Ab), Minus Glee (p),
25-1 Swardna, 35-1 Green All Gowden
Knowe, Bustens, My Solution,
Ferzante (p), Swill Bote (p), 15 mm. ALSO RAN: 5-2 Snow River (4th). 20-1 Stitched in Time. 5 ren. TOTE: win. 569; places, 24n, £1 16, £12b; dual forecast, £30, 89. CSF, £16.54. A. Dicturson, at Hartwood. 121, 21. PLACEPOT. win. 566, 60, TOTE: Win. 19p. Dund F: 42p. CSF; 49p. Mrs. F. Salelds, al Yosk. 51, dist. NR: Commelius.

Saint Jonathon seeks to join an elite class

By Michael Seely By Michael Seely

If Saint Jonathon wins the
2,000 Guineas, Barry Hills's three
year old will become the 10th
horse since the war to have taken
part in Thirak's class trial and
then gone on to triumph at Newmarket. Or to be strictly accurate,
the minth, for although the 1957
1,000 Guineas winner, Fleat, came
under order's for the Yorkshire
race, Sir Noel Murless's filly refused to start. And apart from
these classic winners Alycidon, one
of the greatest stayers of all time,
also galloped to victory here in
1946.

So it comes as a surprise to see

also gamoped to vectory mate in 1948.

So it comes as a surprise to see that the Joint Racing Board Committee of Inquiry have recommended Thirsk's demotion to category C in their report. The Yorkshire track failed to pass the last of the nine criteria which they took into consideration, a clause stating that any course holding less than 10 days' racing would be automatically placed in the lowest group. However, this is hardly Thirsk's fault, as they have continually applied for more fixtures, and they are labouring under another disadvantage: four of their six meetings take place before the beginning of June and they have only one fixture at the peak holiday period. This year it will be on August 1 and 2. Under the management first of Major David

popular and go-ahead counses in the country.

At this afternoon's meeting, Curson House looks a sound bet in the Abbey Lands Stakes. Barry Thomson Jones's filly sinished fourth to Lady Sister in a handicap at Poteniract asst week and was doing her best work at the finish. Westacombe and Stepping Gaily should be the main dangers. Edward Hide rode Westscombe no a comfortable victory in a maiden race at Poteniracts

Ken Ivory can laid a double by winning the Barton Costage stakes with Dalegarth and Ness Selling Stakes with Star of Isis. The two-year-olds form is mining some time to settle down, but Dalegarth, after finishing second to Gamma in the Brockleiby Stakes at Doncaster and running well behind Barnet Heir at Kempton, romped home by the stakes to Epsom. Boncaster and running wen occurs
Barnet Heir at Kempton, romped
home by six lengths at Epsom.
I also like the chance of Moybrook in the Hickleton handicap
and that of Swagger Stick who
runs in the Brompton Stakes. Both
horses finished runners-up last horses finished rume time out, Moybrook 10 time out, Moybrook to Azeriai on this track and Swagger Stick to Cheka at Nottingham. Cheka was heavily backed that afternoon and Swagger Stick and Hide should make amends for that defeat today.

Cheltenham NH programme

5.0 OVERBURY CHASE (Hunters: £838: 2m)

5.30 LEX MEAD UNITED CHASE (Hunters: £1,634: 3m 1f)

6.0 VALE OF EVESHAM CHASE (Hunters: £1,224 : 24m) 1 01- Captain George (CD), Alm J. Merricks 1,1-1-0 kys J. Merrick 2 2313-30 Europicasure (D), R. 74:6 10-14:0 Miss J. Merrick 4-9-52 Hargan, P. 17407, 10-14:0 Miss J. Rick 7 73-1221 Mr. Mellern, Sirs A. Villar, 7-12-0 Miss J. Kin 14 0-0021 Toestaint (C), C. Mariannia, 8-12-0 Miss J. McM. Bion-26 2110-0 Zarwierf, G. Pidgoon, 7-12-0 Miss J. Pidgoo

6.35 LAND ROVER CHAMPION CHASE FINAL (Hunters: Coder's Desgree (GD), Mits S. Griffiths, 9-12-7 Mr N. Oliver Royal Air (B), M. Feet 12-7 Mr R. Feet Royal Air (B), M. Feet 12-7 Mr R. Woods Griffith, F. Gliman, 7-12-11 Mr S. Woods Griffith, F. Gliman, 7-12-11 Mr S. Woods Griffith, F. Gliman, 7-12-11 Mr S. Saundars Silver Ransons, Mr J. Felt, 11-12-2 Mr S. Mr J. Markett Graigue House Mr J. Felt, 11-12-2 Mr J. Mr J. Markett Graigue House Mr J. Mr J. Mr J. William Representation J. Bucklague-Burs, 10-11-7 Mr H. E. Wile. or Front. 4-1 Cader's Daught, 5-1 Grinar, 13-2 Royal Air, 8-1 Mr S. L. Craigue House, 12-1 Daughts, 5-1 Grinar, 13-2 Royal Air, 8-1 Mr S. L. Craigue House, 12-1 Daughts, 14-1 Aasht School, 10-1

7.45 BRAMLEY MASE (Novice hunters: £1,174: 2;m) Mr N. Padling Resy Can. B. Mathew. 8-13-0 Mr L. Grantille-Crystanan. S-12-0 Mr L. Grantille-Crystanan. Bable King, E. Baimbridge, b-12-0 Miss M. Stephenson 7 Mr A. J. Whoon Surprise Mes. Lady Aubrey-Fletcher, 8-14-0 Mr A. J. Whoon B-023 Weednay, H. Buff, V-12-0 Mr R. Alner Woodnay, 8-1 Alairet, 8-1 Jimmyfisher, 7-1 French Art. 8-1 Shall We Ff Annahall, Northwick, 13-1 Stress. ARA (NH) FLAT RACE (£641: 2m)

Caralean, W. Charles, 5-11-15

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Objective, Air. F. G. Smith, 6-11-15

Objective, Air. G. Richards, 5-11-15

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Cheltenham selections

By Our Racing Staff
5.0 Go Perrys. 5.30 Mountolive. 6.0 Mr Mellors. 6.35 Royal Frolic.
7.10 Bore-Da III. 7.45 Woodhay. 8.15 Saintly Scholar.

Thirsk selections

By Michael Seely 2.15 Star of Isis. 2.45 Omer Khayyam's Son. 3.15 Dalegarth. 3.45 Moybrook. 4.15 Curzon House. 4.45 Swagger Stick, 5.15 High Old Time. By Our Nowmarket Correspondent 2.15 Master Templar. 2.45 Joveno. 3.15 Tendermeat. 3.45 Laudon. 4.15 Curzon House. 4.45 Worth Avenue. 5.15 Mousehold.

Plumpton

2.0 (2.3) DOUBLE GLOUCESTER Albenia Princess. P. Blacker (5.2) 3 ALSO RAN: 5-1 kg vi indian Song ALSO RAN: 5-1 kg vi indian Song ALSO RAN: 5-1 kg vi indian Song 15-2 Shaupaper Star (0.10) Care Land Star Course Karmala (P. Auam), Tarias (6-1) I
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15-2 Singapore Star (f) 10-1 Cam
booya. Polygon (4th), 11-1 Dubois,
16-1 Summertove. 20-1 Cals Galera
(f), 3-1 A One Sprint, Jolies's, Parit,
Prism (f), Questurnius, Whyberriet,
Anna Bivonas, Daddys Daughter (f),
Liberty Calling, 18 rzn.
TOTE: win, 55p. places, 14p. 15p.
Sop. Dual f: 65p. CSF: £5,54, D.
Morier, at Bury St Edmunds, 11, 11. 2.50 (2.55) CHEDDAR HURBLE (Selling handicap: £547; 2m)

4.0 CHESNIES HURDLE
(Novices handesp 2652: 2m 4f)
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(S. Lensway) A. R. Rove (4-1) T.
Brownes, M. R. R. Rove (4-1) T.
Brownes, M. R. R. Linley (7-1) S.
Maley Walk. R. Linley (7-1) S.
Maley Rann. 6-1 Documentary, S.
Mark Rann. 6-1 Documentary, S.
Coomand, P. M. A. Princely Guy, 14-1
16-1 Middle West, Price of Barnes,
S. Nik's Dress Dorts (7) The Aubton,
S. Nik's (7) Sweet Dorts (7) 15 Inn.
TOTR: win: 650; places, 19p, 21p,
Gifford at Findon, S. 21. 4.50 [4.52] STILTON CHASE (Handicate E.1.07: 5m If)

PHYSICIST, br g by Harwell—Take

The (Mrs D. Fadfield) 2-11-1

Leading Party, Mrs N. Ledger

Gypey Earst, v. A. Webber, (7-1) 3

ALSO SAN: 4-1 Ambrement (f) 3-1

George Choice (p) 12-1

SERVING J. Gifford at Pindon. J. 21.

5.0 (S.2) WENGLEVOALE CHASE
(Div II: novices: ESCE: Cm)

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Dicky's Sister (R. Leo) 9:11-5

Bevils Brig. C. Kinane (25-1) 2

Highland Draks. Mr E. MunioAlso RAN: 5-2 fay Californian (R. Leo)

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POT: 234.30. JACKPOT: £765.20. 3.50 (5.51) BOURLE GLOUGESTER HURDLE (DIV II: novices: DS75: 2m) HURDLE (DIV II: novices: DS75: 2m) BANDOR, b G. by Sandroff Ide— Pindors (Mrs. Scorpe): 5-12-0 Pindors (Mrs. Scorpe): 5-12-0 P. Haynes (9-4 ray)

Deportation faces ... Anglophile actress

By Lucy Hodges

A Russian Jewish refugee who dreamt of coming to England for years and eventually arrived on a visitor's permit faces deportation any day for overstaying her welcome.

Miss Mary Duniyva is now an Israeli citizen. She does not Israeli citizen. Sne does not want to return to Israel, where she has lived for six years, because she does not feel she belongs there. Her main ambition is to act on the British stage, to play Shakespearean roles and to continue her other backing of writing plays and hobbies of writing plays and

To call Miss Duniyva an Anglophile would be to understate her strong feelings about this country and its culture. Having studied English and drama at Leningrad University, where she developed her passionate interest in Shakes peare, she went on to teach passionate interest in Snakes-peare, she went on to teach English at Kiev University.

In 1972 she left the Soviet Union for Israel. There she began to write poeny in Eng-lish. She converted Wuthering Heights into a 30-minure, one-



Miss Mary Duniyva at the Russian Refugee Aid Society in London yesterday.

The RSC did not take up the

Shakespeare Company in Street English literature, I belong their job, or, indeed, their Miss Duniyea has the sup-

daily bread." The RSC did not take up the play but they gave it a good port of Mr Alas Sillitoe, the hearing. Mr Robert Stephens, novelist, who thinks it would be the actor; agreed to read Heath-cliffs part on tape for it. She "She has talent is a poet, as a strict of the characters in Wuthering Heights and those in Dostoyeversky's The Idict", she says. Her show, with Miss Duniyva playing Cathy Linton, has been performed in Jerusalem, in Haworth, the home of the Brontë family, and to the Royal As an artist and a lover of will not deprive anyone of the Bronte family, and to the Royal and a lover of will not deprive anyone of the shows ago the Home Office rejected her appeal to office rejected her appea A few weeks ago the Hor

Festival will depict India's past and present culture

By a Staff Reporter

A Festival of India, backed by both the British and Indian governments, is being planned in Britain to run from the Buttain of next year to the summer of 1982.

Dr I. P. Singh, the acting High Commissioner for India, said yesterday that it would be the largest exposition of Indian culture ever attempted. "It will be ward Gallery in London, from the largest exposition of Indian culture ever attempted." It will be ward Gallery in London, from the bold experiment that is and too paintings, more than believe than 100 paintings, more than 100 paintings. In the Indian 100 painti

Libel action delay for Kenneth More

Mr Kenneth More, the actor nissed the opening of a High Court libel action yesterday in which he is being sued by Mr Daniel Angel, producer of one of his most famous films, Reach for the Sky.

Reach for the Skn.

Mr Antony Hoolsham OC, for the actor, asked Mr Justice O'Comnor to delay the start of the jury trial so that Mr Moore could be present. The action had started earlier than expected, he said. "We mied stremously all last night to trace Mr More, but it is clear he is out of London", Mr Hoolshan said.

The judge decided the mal

The judge decided the trial should start without him, but after Mr Angel had given evidence the judge adjourned the case until today, saying, "I've changed my mind. Mr. More might think it unfair to go on without him."

Mr Angel, a polio myelitis victim confined to a wheelchair and now living in France, is claiming damages against Mr More and Hodder and Stoughton, who published his autobiography, More or Less. Damages are also sought against Express Newspapers. Excerpts from the autobiography appeared in the Sunday Express in September, 1978.

Mr Angel complained that the book accused him of having a bed recorded was severage.

a bad reputation as someone who had acted contrary to the interests of the Rritish film industry. "It was absolutely ridiculous and ghastly that anyone should make that accuration?" It was absolutely ridiculous and ghastly that anyone should make that accuration? tion", he said in evidence. "I

The accusations arose from an attempt by members of the film industry in the 1950s to stop cinema feature films being chown on television.

Mr More, his publishers and the Sunday Express are defending the book on the grounds that what Mr More wrote was

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Court of Appeal

Man freed from jail: use of photographs criticized

prison.

Mr B. A. Hytner, QC, and Mr Alan Courad for the appellant.
Mr J. M. Shorrock for the Crown.

LORD JUSTICE LAWTON said that Mr Blistia, a freshman at Manchester University, and two follow students named Peter David Gibbins and Carl Authony Skinner had gone to a cafe after a dance. Three men came in six at an adjoining table and surred being offensive for them. Sensibly the students left but appreciated that they were being followed, inferentially by the three men from the case.

The men attacked the students and Mr Bhatla was injured, pos-sibly by a chain. He did not get in couch with the police until the following day. Two days later at police station the three rise police station the gree students were shown three albums containing 900 photographs of the Criminal Record Office type of new, all white, who had been convicted of crime in the Manthester area.

Mr Skinner picked out the appel-Mr Skinner pieces out the apper-lant as one of the assailants and left the room. Then Mr Bhatia was brought in but was unable to identify anyone. Mr Gibbins later ricked out the appellant's photo-

graph.
The appellant, who was arrested eight days later, denied that he was involved and said that he had an allibi. He was somewhat argersan allbi. He was somewhat aggressive and demanded to be con-fronted with his identifier. Mr Skinner was available and was brought into the room; he identified the appellant as one of the assailants. The police decided, therefore, that it was unnecessary to ask Mr Skinner to attend an identification parade at which the appellant would be present.

The appellant would be present.

The appellant agreed to attend the parade. There Mr Bhatia and Mr Gibbins, with varying degrees of confidence, picked him out as one of the assailants. bre of the assailants.

Before the justices the appellant Before the justices the appellant sked for a committal under section 2 of the Criminal Justice Act, 1967, whereby the prosecution had to call all their evidence. The prosecuting lawyer decided to put in, as an exhibit, the album of photographs containing the ribotographs of the appellant picked out by Mr Skinner and Mr Gibbins.

Positive act required

Red House Farms (Thorndon)

Ltd v Mid Suffolk District

A company which failed to remove a trailer from vacant land cannot be convicted of "[doing] any-thing which has the effect of

the land", contrary to section 104(2) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1971, because a positive act is required, the

Queen's Beach Divisional Court

by Stow justices of the company, Red House Farms (Thorndon) Ltd, of Stowmarket, of falling to

tru, or Summarket, or railing to remove the traffer after it had been served with notice to remove it by the local planning authority under section 65 of the Act.

Regins v Lamb

Before Lord Justice Lawton, Lord Justice Dunn and Mrs Justice Helbron

A man's conviction on a wounding charge was quashed because the prosecution at his trial had produced Criminal Record Office photographs of him, from which he had been identified by witnesses, and the jury after rediring had asked to see his "must that there was no corroborative evidence that he was the assailant.

The Court of Appeal, stating that there was a lunking doubt about the conviction, allowed the appeal of Peter David John Lamb, aged 23, of Parbold Avenue, Withington, Manchester, against his conviction on a majority verdict of ten to one at Manchester Crown Court (Judge Bardy) lest November of wounding Vinod Bhatta, a student, with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. He ras sentenced to two years' imprisonment. An order was made for his immediate rolesse from prison.

Mr B. A. Hytner, QC, and Mr Alan Courad for the appellant. LORD JUSTICE LAWTON said that Mr Blasta, a freelman at the service of the control of a photograph and all the others were an allow of local villains. During the prosecution's case and the appeal of Peter David John Lamb, aged 23, of Parbold Avenue, Withington, Manchester, against his conviction on a majority verdict of ten to one at Manchester Crown Court (Judge Bardy) lest November of wounding Vinod Bhatta, a student, with intent to do him grievous bodily harm. He ras sentenced to two years' imprisonment. An order was made of positive identification, parade, once a witnesse should not be shown the conviction of the sum of someone who had been convicted of an offence. That tould dot he prosecution's case and kin the prosecution's case and kin the prosecution's case and kin the prosecution's case and kin deliberate who had been convicted of an offence. That tould dot he prosecution's case and kin deliberate who had been convicted of an offence. That the prosecution's case which are proved to him to have it was a photograph and all the others were deliberated to a relief datention. The proved

photographs but should be asked to attend an identification parade unless the person identified from photographs is eliminated from inquirits."

Mr Courad pointed out that once Mr Skinner had identified the appellant's photograph, it should not have been shown to either Mr Bhatis or Mr Glbbins Council v Udecluka but they should have been asked to attend an identification parade. It was understandable why the Brandon and Lord Justice Ackner from they should have been asked to attend an identification parade. It was understandable why the ladgment delivered April 25]

Restricted contract' tell claim for possession failed on the ground that the notice to quit served by the council failed to be brandon and Lord Justice Ackner (comply with the requirements of section 5 of the Prevention from Ladgment delivered April 25]

Restricted contract's tell claim for possession failed on the ground that the notice to quit is served by the council failed to be brandon and Lord Justice Ackner (Ladgment delivered April 25) and the Prevention from Eviction Act, 1977.

Section 19(2) of the Rent Act,

the appellant's photograph, it is should not have been shown to stribuld not have been shown to stribuld not have been shown to stribuld not have been asked to attend an identification parade. It was understandable with the police had shown the photographs. Mr Skinner had identified only one of the three people and the police were anxious to have the other identified. They never were. It was unfortunate that, after Mr Skinner had identified the photograph, it was not removed from the abbum. The confrontation was unfortunate but understandable he manded it and if the police had refused it the strongest commonst could have been under.

After the judge had rejected a submission of no case to answer the appellant gard evidence. He stood by his alibi story and his winesses stood up reasonably well.

The prosecution case depended entirely on visual identification was a danger that the jury might have taken into account, and probably did so, the fact that there was a danger that the jury might have taken into account, and probably did so, the fact that the appellant had a criminal record. In the cordinary way the Crown would not be allowed to lead evidence of a criminal record, but that was done by producing the photographs. The danger was appreciated by the destification was made from photographs, since it cannot normally be said in court (that an identification was made from photographs, since it cannot normally be said in court (that an identification was made from photographs without revealing the existence of a criminal record with the heart of the jury did appreciate the point.

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response to a filtion 63 netice.

The production of the photographs as part of the prosecution case, without anything beitic said or done by the defence which called for it, was an irregularity which should not have occurred. It was equivalent in leading as part of the Crown's cise the lact that the appellant had a criminal record.

Their Lordships did not wish to reside from the resistion that the fact of a jury in a particular case getting to know that a person had a criminal record did not always lead to quastiint a conviction. However, the present case was founded on visual identification unsupported by derroborative evidence.

Eventures a record and shows

dence.

Experience recintly had shown that even where Crown wicesess were positive in identification, with good opportunity for observation and juries accepted the identification, miscardage of justice could occur. It although that the court had to scrutistic executily the evidence, and if, as in the present case, something had gone wrong which should not have gone wrong, the conviction should be regarded as untatisfactory. The present case wis the type of

from time to time did produce the photographs as part of the Crown's case. Mr Shorrock had followed that modern practice.

Their Lordships accepted that there might be special cases in which production of a photograph

"lurking doubt" case as in R y
Cooper (1969) 1 OB 267).

Before the Home Office circular
of 1978 it was a practice at the Bar,
when prosecuting counsel knew
that photographs had been shown
to wirnesses for the purpose of
discovering the person the police
should interview about an alleged
offence and the suspect was later
put on trial, for the defence to
the told that that had been done.
The defence were then left to determine whether they wished the
jury to know.

The experience of members of
the court was that in general
defending counsel took care to
ensure that the jury were not told
that photographs had been used
because they were conscious of
the danger which would arise from
the inference the jury would draw
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the inference the jury would draw
that the photographs were of
person with a criminal record.

Since publication of the Home
Office circular prosecuting counsel
from time to time did produce

conviction quashed. An order was made for payment of appellant's costs and those of the Crown out of central funds.

Solicitors: Livingmone & Co., Manchester; Mr D. S. Gandy, Manchester.

'Restricted contract' tenancies

The council had then commenced proceedings to recover possession in the country court, and the tenant's application to the rent tribunal had been accordingly adjourned. On Dedember 4, 1979, Judge Parker had ordered that the tenant should beliver up possession of the flat by January 1, 1980, and that he should pay 1572.05 to the council in respect of arrears of refit and member of action. The tenant now appealed. The appeal in relation to the action. The tenant now appealed. The appeal in relation to the ordered for possession raised four issues: (1) whether the provisions of the Rent Act, 1977, relating to restricted contracts and sourcely within the resurcted contract within the neaming of section 19(2) of the Act; (3) if so, whether the tenant was a restricted contract within the neaming of section 19(2) of the Act; (3) if so, whether the tenant was endited to the benefit of such security of tenure afforded to restricted contract within the neaming of section 19(2) of the Act; (3) if so, whether the tenant was endited to the benefit of such security of tenure afforded to restricted contracts hy section 183(1) of the Housing Act, 1957; (4) whether, if the tenancy was a restricted contract has been referred to miract but the tenant was not contract but the t LORD JUSTICE DONALDSON. sitting with Mr Justice Bristow, said that it was argued for the company that doing nothing did not come within section 104, and that the authority could have gone onto the land and abated the injury itself at the company's expense, under section 107 of the Act. Courts should construe penal provisions strictly.

The prosecution had to prove two things under section 104: that the accused had done something, and that what he did had continued or aggravated the injury. As an example, if it were a question of a tyre dump, the addition of a few tyres would continue the injury, and sening fire to the dump would be an aggravation. There was no criminal offence under the section if nothing at 28 was done in response to a 1. Luon 65 netice.

Briction Act. 1977.

Section 19(2) of the Rent Act. 1977. defined a restricted contract at "a contract whereby one parson grants to another person, in consideration of a rem which includes payment for the use of furniture or for services, the right to occupy a dwelling as a residence". There was no express exception in section 19 excluding a contract coming within the definition where the interest of the landlord belonged to a local authority. That was in contrast to the express provision in section 14 preventing lettings by local authorities from becoming protected interests.

remaries.

If the matter stopped there, the inevitable conclusion would be that restricted contracts included remarcies or licences to occupy gramed by local authorities. It was clear from the provisions relating to the control of rents of restricted contracts, namely sections 78, 77, 78, 79 and 81 of the Rent Act, that the draftsman did not have in mind the possibility that local authorities might be landlords under restricted contracts. If those provisions applied to tenancies or licences to occupy granted by local authorities, the effect must necessarily be to qualify the general right of such authorities given by section 111(1) of the Housing Act, 1957, to make such reasonable charges for the tenancy or occupation of their houses as they think reasonable.

It did not follow, however,

able.

It did not follow, however, that on the rrue construction of the Rent Act the provisions relating to restricted contracts did not apply to local authority tenancies. The contrast between the exceptions contained in sections 13 and 14 relating to protected tenancies and those contained in the more limited terms of section 19(4) afforded the strongest possible ground for concluding that the provisions relating to restricted contracts did apply to local authority tenancies and licences to occupy.

been withdrawn, and (c) the period at the end of which the notice to quit takes efect ... has not expired, the lesse may apply to the rent tribunal for the extension of that period. (2) When an application is made under this section, the notice to quit ... shall not have effect before the determination of the application unless the application is withdrawn."

The effect of the section, if the landlord were an ordinary person, would be to prevent the notice to quit taking effect pending the determination of the application to the rent tribunal. determination of the application to the rent tribunal.

Reliance was placed by the council, however, on section 158(1) of the Housing Act. 1957, as nullifying the effect of section 104 as far as the council were concerned. By section 158(1), as amended, "Nothing in the Rent Act. 1977, shall prevent possession being obtained of any bouse possession of which is required for the purpose of enabling a local authority to exercise like powers under any enactment relating to housing." The county count judge had found as a fact that the council sought possession of the flat because the tenant was in arrears of rent. It followed that in seeling possession the council were exercising their power of general management derived from section 111(1) of the Housing Act. 1957. The provisions of section 114 could not therefore prevent the council ton obtaining possession of the flat; although the contract the tenant was not entitled, as against the council, to the benefit of security of nenure given by section 104.

But was the notice to quit walid? Re section 5(1) of the

security of tenure given by section 104.

But was the notice to quit valid? By section S(1) of the Prevention from Eviction Act, "No notice to quit any premises let as a dwelling shell be valid unless—(a) it is in writing and contains such information as may be prescribed ... by regulations made by the Secretary of State". No such regulations had yet been made, but by virtue of paragraph 1 of Schedule 2 to the Act, the Notices to Ouit (Prescribed Information). (Protected Tenuncies and Part VI Contracts) Regulations, 1975, were to be treated as having been made under section 5(2). Paragraph 3 of Schedule 24 to the Reut Act further provided that reference in the regulations to Part VI contracts should be treated as references to restricted contracts. The result was that any notice to quit a dwelling let under a restricted contract was required to contain the information set on the schedule to the 1975 Regulations, and it was contract was contract was made in the information of the contract was required to contain the information and that the notice ry one remaind that re United by MICHAEL SLAXEMORE
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TO BE MISSED "S. TIMES. sendine to the 1975 Regulations, and it was common would that the notice or arts solved to con-tain that information. It followed that the notice was invalid and was ineffective to determine the Luck and love.

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MIDDLE AGS STREAD

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Baryshnikov heralds a magical mingling of Broadway's arts Handelian

To catch the most engrossing event in music and dance in New York over the past week it was necessary only to cross the room and turn on the television or, in the more sophisti-cated households, make sure that the video was in good run-ning order. At 9.00 in the evening it was almost possible to hear the click of the tapes switching on all over town to capture Boryshnikov on Broad-

way on Channel 9. The advance publicity had been substantial. The bookshops were full of the souvenir carry-ing the title of the show, admirably photographed—see right-by Martha Swope (Harmony Books, \$8.95). And Baryshnikov not so long ago had cast an eye in the direction of Broadway when he danced in Jerome Robbins's Fancy Free at a City Ballet gala.

The opening minutes suggested that the expectations had pitched far too high: Baysonikovasking the way to Baryshnikovasking the way to Broadway, sharing a pastramion rye with Liza Minelli in a Shubert Alley studio, being led through a rehearsal mirror into the wonderland that is the musical . All this amacked of MGM many years ago in its most paive and reverential mood. But then the gush stopped and song and dance took over Barysinikov proved within minutes that he could be a Broadway star any day he

over. Barysinikov proved within minutes that he could be a Broadway star any day he decided to make the change. The impresarios have probably been queuing up with their cheque books, but it is as well to remember that Baryshnikov has a contract of his own as director of American Ballet Theatre, starting in September. The versatility is extraordinary. He wears in succession top het, straw hat, cowboy stetson, map brim, chuh cap, and they all fit perfectly; he looks equality well with a quiff of hair shed sowards the eyes, which are boyish and challenging at the same sime. He sings a little, in a Fred Astaircish wone; he plays piano; and he dances. Goodness, how he dances. Goodness, how he dances. There is the relaxed, loose limbed manner of Ray Bolger in "Once in Love with Amy" (Where's Charley?), the Cagney aggression for Sky Masterson in Guye and Dolls, the open-air gusto for Will's Kansas Cley number from Oklahoma! npen-air gusto for Will's Kansas Clay number from Oklahoma! It is possible to complain that while Beryshuikov's feet and eyes work wonders his arms have mor yet acquired the fluency of the seasoned Broadway personner. It is permissible to record that we are not watching the original choreogrammers' work, except in the graphers' work, except in the case of Michael Benner's A comparimentalization of the Chorus Line, which concludes the hour, and "I want to be a Showstopper", the one number be confirmed by standing in the



left: Mikhail Baryshnikov and Liza Minelli in "Baryshnikov on Broadway" ... both want to be showstoppers and both succeed without any apparent effort"; above: Rudolf Nureyev and Yuriko Kimura in " Ecuatorial", a marvellously strong pair " even judged by the overall strength of the Martha Graham company

these quibbles are brushed aside by the achievements of Baryshnikov and his guide, companion and co-artist, Liza Minelli, Both want to be showstoppers and both succeed without any apparent effort. Both leave the viewer wanting more and won-dering what, if anything, has been left on the cutting-room RRC relevision are currently

bidding for British rights. May they be able to screen it soon. Barishnikov on Broadway gives clear warning that strict

middle of the Lincoln Center piazza end looking at the sur-rounding theatres. There were raised eyebrows when the Met ennounced that next February it was going to mount a triple bill consisting of Ravel's L'Enfant et les sortilèges,

Television

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The sudden resignation of Mr.

The sudden resignation of Mr Cyrus Vance, the American Secretary of State, robbed Mr Richard Nixon, the former president of the limelight on BBC 1's Panorama on Monday.

One had looked forward to an evening of watching Mr Nixon promoting his new book, The Real War, and, perhaps rather gleefully, discussing the handling of the dreadful state of the Western alliance and relations with the Soviet Union. Indeed, so hour with Tricky Dicky, the man you would not

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Audiences in Britain have yet

to catch up with much twentieth-century American music in general, let alone such

a relatively unexplored corner of it as that written for viols.

Ann Woodward buik her Wigmore Hall programme with Roger Vignoles entirely from this, and deserved admiration for her breadth of musical

for her breadth of musical understanding as well as skilled mastery of technique.

Both a 1979 Sonata by George Rochberg and the Sonata No 2 (1953) by Ross Lee Finney (now one of America's musical elders) gave the impression of having been written more for academic reasons than from in

academic reasons than from in-ner compulsion, but a pithy Partita by Phillip Rhodes had greater conviction, for viola alone, it was written in 1978 for

Miss Woodward, exploiting technique with engaging character, especially in the constrasting central movements, a melancholy Air and a lively

To declare this the most im-

pressive item in the programme

s not to detract from Mr Vig-

noles, whose piano partnership was admirably fluent as well as balanced, not least in a very

early Pastoral by Elliott Carter and in Bloch's Suite hebrauque, where Miss Woodward's sensi-

tive eloquence recalled their

respective musical grass roots

with expressive charm.

Scherzo.

Panorama

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bill is to include Sacre du Poulenc's Les Mamelles de Tirésias and Satie's ballet Parade. John Dexter, the Met's Printemps. However the Met's music director, James Levine, is rightly keen to widen the repertory and this is one way of doing it. It can also be argued that the Met, in common director of production stages the first two and Nureyev choreographs the third. It has already been argued forcefully that none of these works is big enough to fill a house the size of the Met, and David Hockney, in his New York stage debut, has taken on a substantial design task in every sense of the with all other major houses, is becoming more and more de-pendent on a tiny team of international stars. It so hap-pened that season ended with a glorious interpretation of Puc-cial's Manon Lescaut, on the

The opera diebards are also

none too happy about seeing beliet intruding on the winter

season. There are plans for a further incursion in two years'

time when a Stravinsky triple

the serious question of Essi-West relations and the appal-ling situation Mr Carter now faces in this election year.

Panorama had an interview with Dr Brezinski, the spokesman on national security, Mr Carter's hawk, as opposed to Mr Vance, who was his dove, and the disastrous hostage rescue attempt was aired at some length before Mr Nixon rame un.

Nixon watchers would not

have been entirely disappointed by the performance. The former resident played the thoughtful

and Berio's unaccompanied Sequenza sounded over-cautious.

More persuasive was Jolivet's Chant de Linas, but with so rich a flute repertory of original works Miss Keefer was unwise to trifle with Franck's

Violin Sonata in transcription. Schubert's virtuoso variations on Ihr Blumlein alle benefited

greatly from Julian Dawson-Lyell, whose piano playing was a firm and eloquent foundation

Also on the South Bank the baritone Richard Suart appeared in one of the Royal Academy of Music's Westmorland concerts, following appearances with the Singers' Company and Fredich Music

Company and English Music Theatre. His operatic experi-

ence brought rewards in songs

such as the comedy-character

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Indeed, an hour with Tricky
Dicky, the man you would not buy a used car from, would not buy a used car from, would not been a jobly piece of nostalgia. But events caught up with Panorana, and quite rightly Mr Nixon was shoved into the tail-end of the pro-

evening coincidentally that BBC 2 transmitted an earlier performance. But the number of times a year Levine, Domingo and Scotto can be brought together is limited; so too is the number of occasions that Gian Carlo Menotti, an outstanding producer of romantic opera, can be persuaded to stage someone else's work rather than his own.

The move towards mixedmedia evenings is likely to con-tinue even though for the moment opers appears to rule the winter and dance the sum-mer. Until the end of this week Martha Graham's company is in the house, paying its second visit there as a fairly late re-

The 30 billion, he said with a

smile, would amount to a more 1 per cent of the gross national

I per cent of the gross national product.

The rest was southing noises. But the suggested 30 billion increase should not be ovarlooked. Mr Nixon, for all the stigma attached to him since Warergate and his resignation, is still much attored to Republican party thinking, indeed to hig banking, and as he spoke blandity of this increase in military spending one realized that

blandly of this increase in military spending one realized that it would be a way out of the present recession in the United States and a path that a Republican president might take.

The 30 billion extra was a most interesting aside. Panorama gave Mr Nixon the brush off on Monday but thoughtful viewers were probably going to bookshops yesterday to buy the former president's book.

Czechoslovakia last year bore fruit in the contrasts of dynamics and expression she

ayramics and expression spe brought to Janacek's In the Mist, but failed to persuade this listener that his earlier work with the ritle-date "1.X.1905",

or Dussek's equally program-matic Sonata, Op 51 (Elégie harmonique) had much musical

interest to commend them.

The French planist Gérard
Frémy chose a curiously un-

Gallic sequence of Schubert, Prokofiev and Schumann at

Wigmore Hall, and reminded

me of the bandmaster for whom pp meant "pretty powerful". Even Prokofier's Sonata No 6

is more expressive of wrath and

fury than storm and stress,

although the performance cer-tainly abounded in scintillating

fingerwork. Both Schubert's A

major Sonata and Schumano's

This was a quality not very apparent in the earnest approach of a Canadian flautist, Anne-Elise Keefer, at the Purcell Room. The Serenade, op 41, by Beethoven was only intermittently beguling, and both Bach's E minor Sonsta, plano music on a visit to Czech plano music on czec

for the auditorium.

And she also might use a discreet change in the repertoire as a way out. One of the most interesting names on the plans for next season is that of Hugh Wheeler, who is doing the English adaptation for the new production of The Student Princs, which plays for a week at the end of August. Romberg's operatta is not in itself so wierd a choice as it might appear: City Operatend to play a little to the groundlings while the summer holidays of their regular patrons are spill in full swing. If Wheeler, though, is very much a Broadway name and one associated with Hal Prince. They have already worked together at Chy Opera on Kurt Weill's Silberses to very mixed critical reaction—see Patrick J. Smish's report below.

Closer links with this team

pacement for the Paris Opera
Bailet who cancelled for a numbet of reasons, including a dispute over the number of guest
artists to be used.

Apart from Liza Minelli, who
returns to nerrate The Oul and
the Pussycat, the Graham company uses one major guest
artist, Rudolf Nureyev almost
insulably who was to have are inevitably, who was to have appeared with the Paris troupe. peared with the Paris troupe.
On the opening night Nureyev danced for the first time in Ecuatorial opposite Yuriko Kimura: they made a marvellously strong pair, even though the Nureyev style, and Varèse's music is unattractive. Strength is one of the great qualities of the company and it was well

charm

Acis and Galatea Banqueting House

Stanley Sadie

demonstrated in the evening's novelty, Frescoes, which had previously only been seen at the opening of the Sackler Wing at the other Mer, the Museum of Modern Art. The only pity about this succinct and sevene comment on Antony and Cleopatra is that the music, Semuel Barber's two Cleopatra arias sung by Leontyne Price, had to be heard on tape.

Across the Plaza the City Opera concluded their season on Sunday to the news that Julius Rudel, who directed them for 22 years until Beverly Sills took over, is severing his In tune with recent custom, the English Back Festival opened English Bach Festival opened with a costumed event at the Whitehall Banqueong House (more are to come, notably Sunday's "Music for the Wedding of the Sun King" by Lully and Cavalli). On Monday it was Handel: that verdant product of his early years in England, Acis and Galatea. them for 22 years until Beverly Sills took over, is severing his comersion with the company at the end of the autumn. Despite declarations of friendship Rudel has clearly decided that his career lies elsewhere: in Chicago, for instance, where he has a long-term contract with the Lyric Opera, and even perhaps at the Met, where he is scheduled to conduct Hoffmann next year.

Handel composed it for the Duke of Chandos's mansion near Edgware, possibly for staging, but more likely for some kind of concert or partly acted performance. He had only a handful of singers; if the work is staged, Polypheme has to be something of a quick-change artist, Acis has to be promptly resurrected (or, as here, a substitute hastily brought in), and Galatea finally has to advise herself to dry her own tearsfor the choruses require the five soloists. But the music makes a much better effect that way than in Handel's later, grander version which until lately has been more popular. Handel composed it for the

grander version which untilitately has been more popular. The Brian Trowell, who produced, did wisely to prefer the small-scale approach. He staged it charmingly, with Acis and Galates in Rococo pastoral costanes, the observers in something more rustic, and Polypheme in a rude, hairy skin. For the opening choruses, he had the lovers somewhat apart but everyone cheerfully intertwining when the music hited at dance. Gesture was nicely stylized. The only real mistake was to have Galates patently interested in Polypheme's advances; it belied the emotions she has later to express in sincere, heartfelt music.

We also had the original, coarse words for "Cease to beauty", a little extra music in the finale, and a lot of ornamentation, this last mostly along the right lines but often ill-coacsived in detail.

The Banquering House has

ill-coossived in detail.

The Banqueting House has acoustical shortcomings, and that may be why the accompanying ensemble sounded poorly all oboss (lass than perfectly tuned) and basses (likewise) when one needed to hear violins. And John Toll's direction from the keyboard, a combined with a little time-beating from Professor Trowell, rarely seemed to arrive at just tempos (most were too slow). But vocally it was distinguished, first through the deliciously But vocally it was distinguished, first through the deliciously warm, sweet-toned singing and sensuous phrasing of Ann Mackey, then through the forth-tight but elegant Acis of Peter Jeffes. Rodney McCann made a Polypheme both thunderous and witty, Michael Goldthorpe sang two of the tenor arias with delicacy and natural stylishness, and Adrian Thompson did another with considerable eloquence.

may well be one solution to repertory problems. So while Barysinikov films with Broadway it could well be that Broadway might be persuaded itself to have a little filing with the Lincoln Center. John Higgins

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many next year.
By coincidence Hoffmann was

By coincidence Hoffmann was the opera I saw at the New York State Theatre, indifferently conducted—not by Mr Rudel On the evidence of this performance Miss Sills has a lot of work to do. It was held together by the barisone Samuel Ramey, much improved since his Glynnebourne appearances in Figuro. In the quadruple role of Hoffmann's adversaries. Despite the friendly and indulgent endience, which the City Opera has nurtured, the other singers had difficulty in filling the house when standing anywhere further back than the foodlights. In many respects Miss Sills's problems reflect those of her colleagues across at the Met in the need to find artists with sufficient decibels for the audistorium.

And she also might use a standard of the sufficient decibels.

Book review_

Fads and fancies of an Australian child

Unreliable Memoirs By Clive James

(Cape, E5.50)
Thanks to Clive James I am now just about ready to appear on Mastermind as an expert on "loHies". Not lolly ices, you understand. Not those chunks of coloured ice which in the old Essoldo days could be sucked quite clean of flavour and colour but which now in Odeon 3 have the suspicious bizodness of crystallised sova biandness of crystallised soys bean. No, lollies, the Austra-lian name for what we English call sweets and the Americans call candy. Lotties like the Houdley Violet Crumble Bar; dense honeycomb covered with chocolate, so fracile, says James, that it was like trying James, that it was nice trying to est a Ming vase, or Fantail, a chocolate coated toffee "so glutinous that it could induce lockjaw in a mule", and not forgetting the famous Jaffa with its two critically different forms of consumption (suck as forms of consumption (suck or bite) and handiness as ammunition during productions of Giscile.

This meticulous listing of the fads and fancies of child-hood, the sweets, the films, the books, is the most successful books, is the most successful part of James's story of Australian childhood. The appeal to an English audience is hardly nostalgic. Australia did have Wizard, Rover, Turzan and Jungle Jim, but few in this country can be on first name terms with Hoadley's Violet Crumble Bar, let alone have been reprimanded for have been reprimanded for pole-axing a girl with a wet longer. What is telling about this inventory of unfamiliar detail is that it captures the obsessivenes of childhood, a time when the finest aesthetic discriminations are brought to bear on nothing more (or less) than chocloate bars and con-

But although James gets the feel of detail right, it is a little disappointing to find that he is unable to perform a similar feat of resuscitation upon the day to day experience of childthood. There are good and bad times recorded here, the con-struction of a back-garden earthworks which Uncle Toby would have envied, a box car race which makes the Indi-anapolis 500 look effete, and an outrageous school farting thing that breathes". competition which is quite profame enough to remind us that

Laurie

Perhaps he considered that his Australian background had such, a tenuous connexion with his present public personality that he had no wish to take "Clive James" with him on his biographical journey. But this is not the only alternative. As, for example, Gilbert Harding showed in his poignant autobiography, Along My Line, it is possible to take a public image aboard such a trip, wrestle with and eventually succeed in replacing it with a deeper in replacing it with a deeper and richer portrait.

At the end, James almost seems to sense the need to explain his part in the proexplain his part in the pro-ceedings, the peculiarly imper-sonal nature of it all, the status of the reminiscences. This is not my story, he declares, "Nothing I have said is factual except the bits that sound like fiction." But it is not an illuminating paradox. No such distinction between bits" is apparent.

In the last chapter he sets

next volume we will be able to recognize the sardonic com-mentator of late night Saturdays and back page Sundays.
As it is we must be content with an accidental self-portrait In a vivid description of the hazords of suburban Australian life, James introduces us to the funnel-web spider. Television producers will recognize its life-style. The beast "inhabits a miniature missile silo in the ground, from which it emerges in a savage are ready to sink its mandibles into any-

Laurie Taylor

Pinter premiere at Hampstead he it An early play by Harold morrow. It will be directed by

we are in the land of "Just Bruce" rather than Just Wil-liam. Instead, however, of the peculiar and appealing quality of childbood being recovered of childbood being recovered through memory, we get an almost ready-made series of episodes and events most of which, although, sharply sketched, lack that special quality of good autoblography, the movement, however implicit, between now and then; the tension which arises from incorporating that which we were, late that which we are. James ducks such issues by coming on as a story-teller, coming on as a story-teller, almost a script-writer. There is little sign here of the man we know from elsewhere, none of the feeling for the ridiculous, for the simultaneous reality and unreality of images.

such a tenuous connexion with

sail for England. Maybe in the

New Ashton ballet in five-week season

Opera House solely devoted to ballet.

un pinter, Hothouse, which he wrote in 1958 and then laid side, will receive its premiere at the Hampstead Theatre to Mewark and Angela Pleasence.

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and from Natalia Makarova in to the company's repertory will and from natalia Makarova in to the company's repertory will and from natalia Makarova in to the company's repertory will and from natalia Makarova in to the company's repertory will also be presented in the same guest artists, in order to give A Month in the Country. All programme: Troy Game. by Souza, Robert North, and a new one-make the Hampstead Theatre to David Bintley, Ballet is now presenting more Gala on July 17.

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A new one-act ballet by Sir performances than before and Frederick Ashton will receive so has decided to bring back its premiere on August 4 as guest dancers. Thus, during part of an eightieth birthday the season in July and early tribute to the Queen Mother. August, there will be appearant the premiere will only be ances from Mikhail Baryshone special event during a nikov in Romeo and Juliet, five-week season at the Royal from the American dancer Gelpera Hnuse solely devoted to sey Kirkland in the same baller, and from Natalia Makurova in After a period of excluding Giselle, Manon. Swan Lake and

arist", and the first and last of Ravel's three-part Don Quichotte a Dulcinee, with well-phrased accompaniment from Fantasy, Op 17, however, were over-inflated by a heavy-handed attack leading to a frequent coarsening of tone, modified only in Schumann's finale. In Finzi's settings of Thomas Hardy, I said to Love, and in Noël Goodwin Poulenc's Le Bestiaire, the More guest artists will be seen with the company next month when Richard Cragun and Birght Keil dance in Kenneth Macmillan's beliet My Brother, My Sisters, which he created for the Stutigart Bellet in 1978. Two other bailets new

Sills expanding the gramme which dealt, instead, defence and bringing back range of City Opera

Glyndebourne's John Cox with massive and complex sets by Michael Annals, was largely a straightforward look at the opera, with several jarring innovations—the chief being to portray the Commendatore as a senile coward, so that Giovanni kills him in cold blood (but wherefore, then, his renown as a warrior?). Yet Cox's work in general focused on the characters' individualities, and his achievements outweighed his idiosyncrasies. The claustropholic sets (which now and then defeated the stagehands) and the dark-lit singe emphaand the dark-lit stage empha-sized the menace of the opera, but oddly Julius Rudel's conducting (and his overwitty re-citative accompaniments) went

against this conception, being lyric and graceful. The cast was dominated by Samuel Ramey's Glovanni which, though not yet completely realized as either a demon in human form or a creature of irresistible charm, was constituted as each or a creature of irresistible charm, was nonetheless sung with style and vigour. Of the rest, Faith Esham's Zerlina outshone ber female companions (as in the original performance), both stylistically and vocally, although Carol Vaness's Anna was strongly projected as a woman of virulent hatred and fire (her voice is still in the

Glyndebourne's production of be replaced by the Orchestre de-

Beverly Sills is now fully established as the general director of the New York City Opera, and the results so tar have been a tightening of casting, a courtol of the repertory so that works ere given in a two or three-week span and then dropped, and a brisker approach to the problems of repertory opera.

Two of this apring season's new productions are indicative of the shape of the funure (though both were in the pipeline before Sills took over).

One, Prokofiev's A Love for Three Oranges, was borrowed from the San Diego Opera, a practice begun long before Sills but which will be expanded in future seasons. Another, Kurt Weill's Silbersee (Silverlake), employed a number of Broadway names, and seems to suggest that Sills is anxious to develop a light opera or "musical" troupe either as part of or as an adjunct to the main company. The third new production, Dom Giovanni, brought a repertory work to the house in a fresh staging.

Don Giovanni, staged by Giyndebourne's John Cox with massive and complex seus by the music of Weill, which is less accomplished than several earlier and later scores, but in

whatever value lay in the production was not in the simple-minded Brechnian fable (at least as it came across in the Wheeler adaptation), nor in the music of Weill, which is less accomplished than several earlier and later scores, but in the which without the several carlier and later scores, but in the which was several to the winds. earlier and later scores, but in the slick professionalism of Harold Prince's staging, which seems in constant motion. The use of reflective yet trans-parent movable plastic screens (devised by Manuel Lutgen-horst) provided a visual innovation more compelling than either story or music, and was reinforced by the presence of Joel Grey, whose Chaplinesque demands and diminitive demeanor and diminutive, athletic frame kept attention rivetted on him whenever he was onstage. Prokofiev's far different

Frokofiev's far different fable, A Love for Three Oranges, has been in and out of City Opera's repertory since 1949, and is an excellent choice for the company. Mario Vanarelli provided colourful costumes and sets, while Tito Capobianco produced with stylized flourish often approstylized flourish, often appro-priate to the story but now and then wilfully exaggerated, as if he did not want any audience to believe in the foolishness onstage, even though Prokofiev and Gozzi did. A good cast was led by the stalwart Prince of Joseph Evans; Christopher Keene conducted crisply.

Patrick J. Smith

Glyndebourne goes to Paris

The Rake's Progress, complete Paris. The visit is being organ-with the Hockney scenery and ised under the auspices of the The Rake's Progress, complete Paris. The visit is being organ with the Hockney scenary and ized under the auspices of the costumes, is travelling to Paris Festival d'Autonne, which this in November for four performation of the Theatre des Stravinsky retrospective that Champs Elysées. As at Clyndewill also feature the New York bourne the cast will be led by Philharmonic under Mehta, the Leo Goeke and Felicity Lort Lordon Symphony Orchestra and the opera will be conducted under Abbado and the BEC by Bernard Haitink, althoughts Symphony Orchestra under the London Philharmonic will Rozhdestvensky.

Geneviève de Brabant John Lewis Auditorium

William Mann Offenbach has figured several times in the annual opera production given by John Lewis Pertnership Music Society, and does so even more appropri-ately this year, in which we commemorate the centenary of his death.

Choice fell on Geneviève de Brabant which Offenbach revised twice, lengtheaing it each time. The second version was a popular success in London and left behind it the Gendarmes' Duet, which anateur singers still delighted to render at musical avenings in my wouth. Choice fell on Geneviève de musical evenings in my youth. How they became gendarmes I know not; the plot is set in the time of the Crusades, and the duet is sung by two comic bired.

The lady of the title was the chaste and lovely wife of Duke. Siegfried of Brabant (in Offenbach he became Sifroy), falsely, accused by the villainous and ambitious Golo of adultery, cast out to wander in a forest, while the duke are set. while the duke was supposedly, away on a Crusade (the librer tists had him carousing with Charles Martell somewhere near Paris). All is revealed in time Paris). All is revealed in time for a happy end to a protracted and rambling spoof of the old Frankish story which Geoffrey Wilson and Max Morris have arranged in English for the Partnership's production.

It is not exactly easy to keep a firm grip on the details of the plot as it unfolds; with Offenbach's music there is no such trouble, and I was delighted to make the acquaintance of a host make the acquaintance of a host of jolly numbers, many of which already sounded familiar. Tom Hawkes's production

misses no opportunity for amusing gags, few of them as sophisticated as Sifroy's arrival by swan (Lohengrin also takes place in Brabant), some perhapeover the heads of oursiders. James Robertson conducts the Cavendish Orchestra in a lusty . performance (others tonight and on Friday) and, as usual, some young prefessionals are imported to do justice to the most important roles, though members of the society did so

Some of the reviews on this page are reprinted from yesterday's later editions.

Exhibition of work by Salvador Dali

The first major exhibition of the work of the surrealist Salvador Dali will open at the Tate Gallery on May 14, and run until June 29. The exhibition, which is at present on show at the Pompidon Centre in Paris, includes over 300 in Paris, includes over 300 paintings, drawings and surrealist objects.

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Edward Mortimer says the way to strengthen Pakistan is by economic not military aid

What the Afghan crisis has done for General Zia

widow of the former President of Pakistan who was hanged lived well. ast year was released in the second week of April after six nothing. months' house arrest. A fexdays later she gave an inter-sew in which she advocated recognition of the Babrak Karma) regime in Afghanistan and repairiation of the Aighan refugees. Quoted on the BBC. Pakistan and eventually was referred to even in the government-controlled press.

I went to see Begum Bhurro at her Karachi home to find out the thinking behind her statement. I expected to find a party polizician, but found myself faced with a tragic heroing, a figure of pathos and loneliness. She spake with passion of the harbarity of General Zia's erime-the fluggings, etc. But faltered when asked precise cuestions about the present situation, pleading ignorance siter an months isolation. She bolieved the Afghan refugees ere "not all poor". Many were "nutinessmen, traders, moneystangers, money-lenders who sad graphed husiness from the stale of North-West Frontier rovince and should be sont the the Afghans" and at their She even believed agrife gree invited to by Haft-

concluded that Begum Parette ie not a politician, and d ant he more than a figureand for the Pakistan People's Power facts if it gathers its forces hower. Yet observers generally agree that the PPP is the political organization which Il enjoys mass support in the matry or at least in Sind and marian. While the political and Trellectual clite, and the neople Baluchistan, remember the The stop or a with grave missivjusts the paternity of many d the worst practices of the account resime—the ordinary sopie of Sind and Puniah have endowed his rule with nortalgic, arguing that the more the war

I saw The Magic Flure last meek, and a nasty turn I had before it started, I can tell sou.

For the Divine Songbird was enging her first Corent Garden

l'amina, and when the Har-binger of III Omen material-

negan "Ladies and gentlemen. Miss te Kanawa is suffering from tonsiilitis". I had to be

restrained from leaping to my

set with a shrick of Murderer No doubt catch-

ing sight of the struggle going

on in Row M. he hastily added.

"but she has agreed to incomight's performance", and

went on to make the customery

ries for our indulgence on the

Kiriburd's behalf. As it hap-

rened, the request war hardly recessary; though she was clearly suffering, most of her

nice's beauty was intact and

Rei Männern (the more Zauher-

waded that that innocent duet

the work) struck to the heart

with its purity, particularly since the Papageno stopped

rolling his eyes long enough to show that he, too, had under-

stond the vital quality which the

and the result was as affecting

But I have definitely decided

that I do not like August

E**verding's production**, a conclu-

tively when I first saw it last year. Oddly enough, the things

that discurbed me then-its

fussiness and sentimentality tas

with the flood of tiny children

onto the stage for the final

dressed like old-fashioned Mid-

-mattered much less, and the

truly striking originality of many of Everding's ideas reach

as the Queen of the Night's an-

Papageno-Papagena

number brings to the opera, essence of Dic Zauberflöte are

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summer Night's Dream fairless to The Magic Flute its drama-

rearance as the Woman in the certainly sharpen our under-Moon to supervise stends the standing of a work, as indeed

one of the great cruxes of

giamour. time, business very good, people very had. Poor people have Only martial law people have much money, nice hungalow, hig cars Those unsolicited observations

from a Karachi taxi driver seem to sum up a widespread popular feeling. Shades of Peron? In a situation like this, there is a tendency for people to think that whatever the regime does must be bad, and that whatever it says must be the opposite of truth. Talk of estab-lishing an Islamic order in Pak-istan is less popular than it was, because this is the rhetoric used by General Zia Ul-Haq to justify his rule. Similarly, there is a certain willingness to put a favourable or reassuring construction on the actions of the Soviet Union and its proteges in Afghanistan, simply he-

cause General Zia has con-

demned them.
Over and shove tiest, anti-American feeling is widespread in Pakistan, and generally more violent than anti-Soviet feeling. pathy for communism America is resented as an exally who failed to come to Pakistan's son cither in 1955 or 1971, and who punished Pakistan for heing a victim of aggression by cutting off arms sales and economic aid. The Americans are even blamed, however implausibly, for putting and keeping the present regime in

Besides these emotional faccan give rational grounds for misgivings about the wisdom of taking a resoundingly anti-Soviet line on the Afghan crisis. One such is Air Marshal Asghar Khan, another opponent just feleased from house arrest by General Zia, but formerly an even more vigorous opponent of Mr. Bhutto. He told me he thought. Pakistan's present makes was more likely to proiong the Soviet occupation of Afgranistan than to shorten it.

seemed more impressive. But

what is wrong is the suspicion,

generated by the production,

noticed that The Magic Flute

is one of the most profoundly

important statements of truth

the human race has ever made.

Fidelio, or indeed Figuro,

everyone would know exactly

what I meant. What is so strange about The Magic Flute

is that many very experienced

opera-gners who know the work

intimately and love it deeply

still do not recognize that it is

something more important than all its beauty and wit and

charm and nobility and happi-

ness put together. The reasons

for the failure to hear the

not difficult to list; there is

the strong pantomime element

in it, the puzzling-and still

never satisfactorily explained-

U-turn in the plot, the complex

symbolism, the undigested Freemasonry. These things do

indeed get in the way of a true and full appreciation of this

masterpiece, and they cause their obstruction in a way

their obstruction in a way which is itself very significant.

They are all cerebral concepts

dependent upon analysis; and

as soon as analysis is applied

tic weaknesses become obvious.

to say nothing of the libretto.

But as any sensible music-lover

knows, though analysis can

Nove if I said that about

Mr Everding has not



General Zia and Mrs Bhutto: a man in a dilemma; a woman now a tragic heroine.

escalated the more troops the Russians would commit, and the greater the danger that they would embark on "hot pursuit" raids into Pakistan.

Like many other Pokistanis, Air Marshal Asghar was scepti-cal about the theory that Soviet troops had gone into Afgiranistan as part of a military drive towards "warm water" or the Gulf oil wells.

He pointed out that the Soviet presence in Afghanistan had heen growing over a long period, and suggested that Pakistan's own unhelpful artitude to previous Afghan governments was partly responsible for this. He thought Soviet troops were more likely to be withdrawn in an atmosphere of peace, and that even the present Afghan Government would in time demonstrate a degree of independence if it felt secure. He would not commit him-

eli, however, on whether the Karmal Government should be recognized. That depended, he effective control of the country, and only the Government had enough information to assess

what exactly is the Pakistani policy that is being criticized? General Zia reon April 21, that it is "One of scrupulous adherence to the principle of non-interference in

through the brain but through finely

the-well, the what, exactly?

To say the emotions is in itself

limiting, the feelings not much

hegs the question. The answer

mon with the artist, where he

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reason, for art cannot achieve

sure, incidentally, that that is

so many music-lovers to the

greatest glories of The Mugic

Flute is the veil of reason that

they put between themselves and surrender to it.

If that is so, it behoves me

now to say something about

what I believe those glories to

be. It is obvious enough that

the opera is about love; it is

no less obvious that the love it

is about is a representation of

the divine. But that sentence-

both halves of it-is also a description of Figure; what has

Die Zauherflöte got that Figarn

hasn't? The answer is that in

Figure the principle is intro-

duced by means of an objective

only obliquely and right at the

end of the opera, when the

Counters, in that sparing plea

for pardon, simultaneously springs the trap and throws it

correlative, and made explicit

true of all the arts, but I rather

and with everything else.

its effects by reason.

Bernard Levin

Missing out on Mozart

rescue of Tamino by her ladies can familiarity, music does open; of the final bars that words, and the words of those at the healinning of the openal not and cannot work its effect follow. Robert Donington has he has collisted in his poly

less so, and as for the soul, it and perhaps having to do once

must be something like; that of ourselve, with ourselves on

part of us that we have in com- which not only our outer mar-

Within these sacred walls, that "perhaps"; but the point nen, music altogether hypasses is that in Die Zauherflöte

suspect that it is most obviously and spirit at once, and quite and conclusively true in the explicity. Elsewhere in the case of music.) And what blines opera there are many parallels

tas in

the internal affairs of other countries and of not allowing Pakistan to become a conduit for the flow of arms into Afghanistan." Pakistani officials insist that the aid given to the refugees is purely humani-tarian, and that the frontier is impossible to seal. They also say the appearance of Mr Muazam Ali, a London-based adviser to President Zia, at a

news conference with Afghan resistance leaders, was a mis-take and "should not have happened ". On the other hand, Pakistan is debarred from recognizing or having any political dealings with the Karmal Government by the resolution of the

Islamic foreign minister's conference. She sticks to her condemnation of the Soviet intervention and her demand for the immediate withdrawal of Soviet troops, while looking hopefully to the next Islamic conference, in mid-May, for

The truth is that General Zia faces a dilemma. The Aighan crisis has brought him a degree of international support as the leader of a Muslim state now in the front line against Soviet expansion. That support he needs (for since Bhutto's eneshouldered by most foreign governments and obviously enjays. The crisis has also brought

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He could have dispensed with

Morart does dispense with it.

In Sarastro and his magic circle

the "reconciliation of ourselves

with ourselves" is made flesh

with Figuro : just as Susanna's

Deh vieni for instance, demon-

strates that the love of two

servants is as great as the love

of two aristocrats, so Bei Männern, in which the humble

and the noble join hands to

point out that by the ladder of

love human beings can reach

God, suggests that the climbing

of that ladder is mankind's chief purpose, But Sarastro says

music " is of so noble a nature that it has been described as

the only music which could

without fear of blasphemy be put into the mouth of God".

Well, yes; and what is more,

priests.

Men - reflects the of his. Sarastro's

the music of all Sarastro's

followers-his

Kobbé said that Sarastro's

so many words.

ment must eventually rest ".

undermeanings

him some benefits at home, at least in the short run, by dis-tracting attention from domestic problems and making people feel that now is not the time to rock the boat. All these considerations make a strong anti-Soviet line attractive.

On the other hand he considers (and here at least most Pakistanis agree with him) that western offers of support stop well short of an effective and credible guarantee of Pakistan's

Security.

The 5200m worth of arms sales credit offered by the United States seemed perfectly calculated to provoke the Russians without providing any real protection against them. The offer of a congressional reaffirmation of the 1959 bilateral agreement was also seen as lacking credibility, and it has been noted that official American statements distinguish between a hypothetical Soviet move against the Guif, which "could lead to war", and a similar move against Pakistan, which would merely create a

very serious viruation The upshot is that Pakistan's military rulers, while intellectually and morally attracted by the idea of making Afghanistan "Russia's Vietnam", do not heliare the West is prepared to zive the Afghan Mushidin the kind of backing that the Viet-cong got from Russia and

"now there cause (not that we need the

words, having sounds so full of

meaning, are full of reconcilia-

tion, understanding, forgive-ness, and above all of a testing

only when perfect love nucli

by fire and water be endured. Or to out it appears

Or to put it another way: He that findeth his life shall lose

it, and he that loseth his fife

Water and fire are the two

purifying agents: the opera is about that process, the mar-

riage of the body and the

spirit. Sarastro, in his first

scene, announces that Tamino

and Pamina are to be led into "unsern Prütungstempel"

scene, he prays to Isis and

Osiris (never mind the panthe-

ism, listen to the musici to let

the seekers "see the fruits of the ordeal" and, should they

sink under it, to let them be

taken up into the gods' eternal

explicit renunciation of renge-

ment: man punishes himself if

always at hand to lead him back to his duty if he should

fall away from it.

The theodicy is made explicit

in the last scene of the opera.

own understanding and love of

he rejects the light, for love in

He follows this with an

which leads to sternal

for my sake shall find it.

China, and are in any case not themselves willing to play the role of North Vietnamnor, if they can help it, that of Cambodia. Consequently, they do not see the Russians being forced to withdraw, and they are coming round reluctantly to the idea of a political settle-ment recognizing Soviet influence, if not military presence, as a permanent factor in Afghanistan.

But they hope that Western pressure on the Soviet Union will be strong enough to secure at least a compromise settlement to which the "insurgents" (not "rebels") would be a party, perhaps leading to a government of national recon-

ciliation.
As for Pakistan herself. my impression is that whoever wishes to strengthen her should provide not weapons but econo mic aid, earmarked especially for the disaffected provinces of Sind. Baluchistan and the North-West Frontier. But economic aid is unlikely to be effective unless it is accompanied by political development, enabling the people of these provinces to feel that

they are in control of affairs rather than living under mili-tary occupation. Otherwise the time may come, as it did in Bangladesh, when foreign interrention seems preferable to continued Punjabi rule.

often as I have seen it (30 or 40 times, perhaps), to this day I invariably forget the existence of the penultimate scene, in which the forces of darkness rally for their last vain assault against the light (ie, against their own higher selves), so that it always comes as a shock ro me : if I were telling anyone the story of the opera I would say with complete conviction that the Papageno-Papagena duet is followed directly by Sarastro's announcement that the light of the sun has driven dark night away and that the corrupt power of falsehood has been overthrown.

Mozart knows better: the overthrowing is not an event but an eternally continuing process, in which we are all eqgaged, and our lives are themselves a "Profungatempel" in which we are constantly rested. It is its exposition of that truth roth in the world, that makes The Masic Flore one of mankind's greatest achievements (I mean exposition through the music, of course, and I can "unsern Prütungstempel"
("our Temple of Assay")
where "sie müssen erst
gereinigt sein" !"they must
first be purified"; in his next well understand that for any one who has not seized upon its meaning the work becomes beautiful cantomime, in which tas is the case in every pantomime, after all) the villains are defeated and the boy gets the

> I have never discussed Die Zauheriläte with Mr Peter Shaffer, but I should be very surprised if he did not take a riew of the work similar to mine. So I would deduce, at any rate, from his play Amadeus, which I have been back to see again at the National Theatre, and about which, as a logical extension of my remarks on the opera, I shall write tomorrow.

C Times Newspapers Limited, 1980

Only fears of rate rises can stop Labour in local elections

Flying their respective hanners—"Stop the Tory Vandals," and
"Getting Britain out of theRed "—the Labour and Conservative parties go into battle battle tomorrow in the local government elections in England and Scotland. They are joined by the Liberals who, true to their belief in com-munity politics, have no national railying cry, and a variety of others ranging from Communists to National From candidates, with ratepayers and independents in between.

The prizes are 2,945 seats being contested in England and 1,120 in Scotland. There are no elections in London or in

As usual, since the reorganization and rationalization of local government in 1974, the electoral picture is complicated. All 36 metropolitan districts in

All 36 metropolitan districts in the six metropolitan county areas have elections 10 with whole rouncils and the remainder with one third of the seats at risk.

Of the 296 non-metropolitan councils in England, 103 have elections, all for one third of the seats except Geest. Yelling mouth, where the whole council is being elected to Scotland, all 53 district councils have elected.

is being elected in Scotland, all53 district councils have elections for all their seats.

Two overriding factors will
determine the results that
time: the national swing and
the policy difference between
the Conservatives, who believe
that services must be reduced in order to save money, and the Labour Party, whose belief is in the preservation of services even if that means before take

Although in a handful of cases purely local matters may have a strong influence, it is the national considerations which in general settle the

As inevitably as the pendulum swings, so Labour stands to gain hundreds of seats. Many of those to be contested perticularly in the crucial metropolitan areas, were last fought in 1976 and 1978, very good very for the Conservatives. The effect of the swing back towards Labour locally can be seen from the results last year, in which the party made substantial gains while the Conservatives won the general election. won the general election.

won the general election.

Thus Labour hopes to region Rochdale, lost in 1975; Birmingbam. Dodley, Oldham and Kirklees, all lost in 1976; and also Bolton, Bradford, Leeds and Welsall. The last four are more difficult to assess because they are being fought on new boundaries.

If Labour gains only half that number it will still regain control of the Association of Metropolium Authorities.

Metropolism Authorities that which the Conservatives held by were a majority of one giving the Lab ໃດຄວາມເກືອນ 🐧 . 2000 local voice against the Govern-

councils, Liverpool promises a fascinating contest: The Liberals, treditionally strong there, seek to gain compoi again, but it appears that only a complete collapse of the Conservative vote will allow it.

In the non-metropolitiss acces, Labour is confident of gaining Cambridge, Chorley, Hartlepool; Preston and Tamworth, where the one shird of the councillors were last elected in 1976; and the perty is wiso looking for success at Amber Valley. Bashdon, Blackburn, Crewe, Oxford, Swale, Thurnock and Worcester. Scorland seems certain to add to Labour successes. With the Scottish. National Party far-from the force it was, Labours confident of adding 19 district councils to the six it already controls.

will not be their year, and accept they will lose perhaps 400 seats, but as the day approaches they have taken comfort from canvassing returns: which they claim one better than expected. In addition the latest local by-election in London last week, in Lewisham West, showed a swing of only-2.75 per cent against the Government since the general election. That, however, is still enough to lose the party several councils it controls. What the party has been

The Conservatives know this



down the rates.".



Mr. Hattersley: spending out

and kept trate increases down.

By contrast, as the Tories have sought to show with rates league tables. Labour councils have falled to respond by consequently have increased rates by up to 57 per cent. I the impact of high rates is ever to have a marked effect on

election results, it will be the closely watched; for the coun closely watched; for the council controlled by Labour with the mayor's casting vate, put up the rates by 55 per cent. The outcry it caused suggests that the voters are only too aware of the matter. If so, their votes could cause a big upset by returning the Conservatives against the swing. However, the presence of 13 ratepayer candidates could foil that ambition by splitting the

that ambition by splitting the Labour has tried hard in its cal voice against the Govern rates and overspending and criticism Mr Roy Hatterslay, Of the other metropolitan shadow environment spokes. mini argued that the message was setting acros to people that cutting public argenditure was not the solution to Britain's difficulties. And while people would in general say they did not want higher spending the fact was that they did not want

worse schools poorer housing, higher rates, fewer amenities for the elderly, uncut parks or unmaintained made. The party's reply on the rates is that they are using because the Government has provided madequate support for local sutherities, allowing for inflation of 13 per cent, when it is now ar 20 per cent, and likely to go higher.

and that if they win control they will restore cuts imposed decessors even if it means levy ing a supplementary rate in the autumn Birmingham is one such case, where Labour needs to gain seven seats out of 44 being Contested Only a reaction against this possibility and against the swing can pre-vent Labour from regaining control of the largest district authority in the country.

The banner "Stop the Tory Vandals" is likely to prevail on May Day.

Christopher Warman

LONDON DIARY

Speaker of the Temple, the two I find very significant for my

Competing for the lady's tavour

It will not have escaped your notice that we have been getting on rather less than famously with our European partners haps what we need is a dynamic injection of fresh blond in the corridors of hureaucracy in Brussels to beaver away on our

The rumour about Mrs Shirley Williams in this connexion will simply not go away. A number of influential figure: hoth in Brussels and Lundon constantly mention her name as an ideal candidate for a commissioner's post when the current Commission dissolves and reforms at the end of this year. Mrs Williams, they point out, is an exceptionally able and appealing figure with a good pro-European track record, but her surprise removal from her Stevenage constituency last

Popular she may be, but there are complications. Should Mr Rny Jenkins decide to stay,

total of three British commissioners (with Christopher Tugendhat's would be rather packing the terraces. Resides, there is a feeling in

Brussels that there are too many commissioners already (14 at the last count and that the whole system would be the better for being slimmed down.

None of this rules Mrs these last couple of days. Per. Williams out, But if the Commission does plun to approach her, they will have to compete with other suitors, including the REC, who have been sounding her out for the chairman's chair. several universities who would like her as vice-chancellor, and our own Home Office, which has plans to merge the Equal Opportunities Commission and the Commission on Racial Equality, and would need a strong chairman

Mrs Williams rold me vesterday that she had had no formal approaches from Brussels, the Home Office, or the BBC, and that she had no plans to take up a vice-chaucellorship. She is without a proper niche since at present fully employed, dividing her time between the Policy Studies Institute and the OECD. for whom she is doing research on unemployment in the United

States and Germany. I am fully committed with which he is perfectly entitled to the OECD at least until the end tharges towards a condo, it may well be felt that a of the year, and would cere tour of the Exeter nick.

tainly not be available for any other full-time occupation before then," she said. As for whether she would accept a Brussels post if offered

it, she preferred to keep a

demure and ladylike silence. Plod express

The public image of our police has taken a bit of a hammering recently, what with the Blair Peach affair and the James Kelly inquest. But down in the west country, they are determined to prove that policemen jolly, friendly, applecheeked body of men brimming with understanding and good-

On Saturday the Devon and Cornwall Constabulary is to charter a special friendship train to run from Penzance to police headquarters at Exeter, staffed by happy, smiling constables and carrying as guests of the force 400 children and nensioners. All along the route the train will stop at such wayside halts as are left, so that local dignitaries may cheer it on its way and indeed, if they feel so inclined, press bunches of freshly picked primroses into the hand of the travelling task force, as they speed their ronducted



The £1,200 needed to charter the train has been raised entirely by the police themselves through off-duty social events. Devon and Corawall force have put on a happy face for the benefit of their customers; a previous wheeze was to set up a tea har at the far end of the M5 motorway for the refreshment of weary drivers

It's all very well for the police down there to put on stunts like these, which I am sure can do nothing but good, but then they do not really face the same problems as Sir David McNee's men in the metropolis. I wonder what sort happy train would attract, calling at all stations from Paddington to Southall?

The £3,000 opera

Giordano's Andrea Chénier is an opera so expensive to mount, with its call for six first class singers and four different sets, that Covent Garden was forced to drop it from its recent winter programme and replace it with a more economical revival of A pity, as it had its last full professional staging in Loa-But what Covent Garden

could not afford, the amateurs of Southgate College Opera Group in north London cap. Their ambitious attempt at the work, ser in the French Revolu-Nor is it the first time the rion, has its first of six perfor-

on Friday, all on a budget of just over £3,000. By ploughing in the profits

from previous more immedistely popular, productions, by making the sets and many of the costumes themselves, and by persuading several profesvoices free of charge to holster the front line, the students of London N14 have shown just what can be done, even without an Arts Council grant. And the music. I am assured by the cast.

Cocoa camps

With unemployment at a record post-war level, it is entertaining, if not necessarily instructive, to look back at some of the solutions put forward for relieving the similar social distress in the thirties. I have before me a slim and faded volume, published in 1933 at one and sixpence, entitled Camps for Men. Bits of it could have been

written vesterday. For example: Most of the increases in 'crime' among young men, which has lately been the cause of considerable comment, can probably be traced to the demand of an unoccupied mind for an earlier for its powers", and latrine digging would prob-The author, Michael Sime-Yill ably he insufficient to dissipate

the frustration of today's un-employed. There was frustra liams, was a pioneer of the short-lived Universities Council tion in those days too, of course for Unemployed Camps, and in 1933 he and a group of fellow theology students at Cambridge ran ten camps for a total of. 1,000 jobless men. The booklet tells of the first

such camp held in Hereford-shire in 1932, and advises on the running of such activities. After reveille at seven with jugs of cold washing water, and breakfast at 8.30, morningsshould be occupied with useful work such as cleaning scrubland and digging lattines, while the afternoon should be given

Eut the joint really began to jump in the evenings. After woodcarving and toy making, the day usually closed with a campfire sing-song, not always smiles among the more liber organized. arising spontaneously when cocoa and biscuits were served out." If the evening has been boisterous, the booklet recommends a hymn before lights-out.

At the end of each camp, every man was given a personal report, and the best receivedcertificates of merit to show to a prospective employer, if they could find one. Mr Sims-Williams, who now

but it did not express itself much beyond the slashing o Dated at may seem, but it not really very different from

teers for taking unemploye yourist away from home for spell and training them wrange nown However, in 1987 they ger paid £15.65 2 wee and woodcaving and cocca at Mr William Whitelaw's appea

home affoirs committee to minded present. It was benduch when in his speech. Home Secretary referred to p and the need for me centres but there he start telking about supergrasses. I am told that the Minister s parliamentary i vate secretary inhigh suff the impassively not hading at e hd.

lives in Kent, admirs that cocoa-and larrine digging would prob-Alan Hamilton

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From Dr L. E. Ellsworth

Sir, May I suggest that if, as you maintain in your leader of today (April 28), there is a need "to put the alliance (of the United Cartes and Cartes and

put the alliance (of the United States and Europe) together again", then "to move slowly on sanctions" against Iran, as you counsel, is the very worst way to do it? For, if Europe were to move any more slowly in assisting the United States in securing the release of the hostages held in Iran, it would achieve such a state of sublime inactivity that America

of sublime inactivity that America would be glad to forgo allies at once

politically inert and morally

defunct.

Recall the extraordinary patience which the United States has shown in the past six months in the face

of Iran's flagrant violation of inter-

national law (not to mention her outlandish and insulting behaviour,

culminating this weekend in the barbaric treatment of American

dead); the appeals to the United Nations and International Court at

the Hague, the pleas for help to her allies and friends, the endless and

fruitless diplomacy.

The United States has behaved

in a restrained, dignified and civilized manner, and what have been the results? Fifty-three of her

citizens remain captive, protected (depending on the vacillations of (ranian politics) by the anxiety of

an impotent government or the

whim of a theocratic madman. Her so-called allies, with few and

laudable exceptions, criticize her efforts to secure the hostages' release while making no concrete

suggestions themselves as to how that end might best be attained.

and, oblivious to the outrage of kidnapped diplomatic personnel, are manifestly more frightened by

the implications of reduced trade

with Iran than by the implications of Iran's illegal behaviour.

If the American-European ailiance collapses, it will most

assuredly not be at the hands of the United States. Rather, it will be because no friendship can

sustain the greed, self-interest and

perfidy, not to mention smugness,

which have characterized Europe's

response to America's calls for

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DISUNITY IN CRISIS

Mrs Thatcher was wrong to reject the budgetary offer made n her in Luxembourg by the other members of the Community. Of course it was not ideal, though it was much better than anything previously on offer. It was good only in the short term in that it would have mis year's budget from £1,100m @about £325m. It solved nothing in the longer term, leaving open the future to further bargaining and meanwhile raising farm prices to a level that would strain the Community budget. There were also other elements in the package that were less than satisactory. If there had been a choice it would have been preferable to have been offered less short-term compensation and better long-term prospects of reform. Mrs Thatcher was right to be dissatisfied and right to dislike the idea of annual negotiations.

However, if she had taken a broader view she would have swallowed her dissatisfaction and accepted. Firstly, a good level of rompensation . this year would have set a precedent from which the Community could not easily retreat. Her bargaining position would therefore have been emonger next year. Secondly, Herr: Schmidt is facing an elecion this year and President Gisand is facing one next year. Both ed came as far to meet Mrs factcher as they judged their lomestic situations permitted, nd probably farther. Herr chmidt certainly came twice as ar in money terms as he had een authorized by his own labinet. President Giscard made gajor concessions. It was politially unrealistic of Mrs Thatcher a expect them to do more at this ·1826.

Thirdly, and most importantly, he broader interests of the Com-

ebate over the Government's

lans to reform the structure of

ne National Health Service

nare one impulse: a mistrust

structures. The elaborate re-

ganization of 1974 is almost

niversally unpopular, but the

read of another bout of struc-

iral metamorphosis almost out-

eighs the desire to repair the

mage. The Government itself,

a consultation paper last year,

. ressed the need for less burden-

me hierarchies, for flexibility out forms and timing and for

e delegation of responsibility.

vertheless, the Outer Circle

licy Unit, whose comments on

e paper appeared earlier this

onth, shows deen suspicions of

other upheaval imposed from

ove. Fear of the inherent

ndency of administrative

dies to serve their own

terests rather than those of

eir customers also pervades the

idence of the Association of

mmunity Health Council, pub-

Scepticism about the benefits

be gained by reshaping any

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r reform in any field. But once

shaping is in the air, the

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almost irresistible. The Outer

rcle unit rightly warns against

e danger that the proposed

anges will raise and then dis-

point unrealistic hopes, just

the 1974 reforms did. Many

thed this week.

munity and the western alliance should now be regarded as more important that a dispute over a relatively small amount of money. The Germans saw this and were as helpful as they could he. After all it was their funds that were going to finance a significant proportion of the offer. Mrs Thatcher, oddly in view her feelings about world affairs, chose to take the narrow domestic view. She is guilty of misjudgment. The essential thing is to pull Europe and the alliance together; she has held Europe apart.

Europe now has an important dual role to play in the alliance. It must-as Mrs Thatcher saysgive a steady and effective support to a troubled and angry American nation: how can we do that if we squabble among ourselves? The United States has suffered the shock of failure and has just lost the steadying hand of Mr Vance. Europe must also attempt to maintain communications with Moscow on behalf of the alliance. This is not appearement but simple common sense. The Soviet Union is a large and dangerous power with interests that mostly conflict with those of the west but it is led by rational, if ruthless, men who can be assumed to share the west's desire to avoid the possibility of nuclear conflict. If only to reduce the danger of miscalculation it is essential to remain in contact. It is no weakness to see that a nuclear balance requires continued contact.

Between Washington and Moscow there is now no contact of any real value. Nor is there much sign of any on the horizon. In Washington the prevailing wind is in the wrong direction while in Moscow Mr Carter is regarded as a weak and irresolute president with whom it is virtually impossible to have

The unit cannot resist going

on to propose the virtual aboli-

tion of the Regional Health

Authorities and the Family

Practitioner Committees. The

former would be unwise, for

many important policy decisions

will need to be taken above the

level of the new districts, but

should not be left to the Depart-

for integrating general practice

more closely with the rest of the

NHS by merging FPCs with

health authorities. But either

change would tend to make the

proposed reform more like the

kind of upheaval the unit fears.

It is better to see the effects of

abolishing the area tier, between

region and district, before going

against one hint thrown out in

the Government's paper—that

the Community Health Councils

might be dispensed with. It is

in character for the present

Government to be dubious about

the value of such quango-like entities as the Community Health Councils, which, with no managerial role, attempt to give

the consumer a voice in the

National Health Services affairs.

As soon as authorities having a

measure of accountability have been set up at district level

merely a managerial tier at

present), the Community Health

Council may become superfluous,

Both documents react strongly

further.

ment. There is more to be said

THE STRUCTURE OF THE HEALTH SERVICE

nexion with structure.

Almost all participants in the of the problems facing the ser-ebate over the Government's vice really have very little con-

case lacks backing in the Congress. Dr Brzezinski is no substitute because he is deeply dis-liked and distrusted by the Russians. Indeed, it is to his influence that they attribute much of the trouble. Dr Kissinger had no illusions about their policies but he knew how to talk to them. There is now nobody in power in Washington to fill that gap. This is why Europe must make the attempt.

Europe also has to frame a

joint policy towards the Middle East, on which the future prosperity and peace of Europe depends. In Afghanistan, in Iran, in the Arab countries, we face the greatest problems, and Europe can make a contribution to their solution. If there is to be pressure on the Soviet Union to withdraw troops from Afghanistan, Europe has to contribute to that pressure, swallowing some of her concern for her own trade links in order to do so. If there is to he a determined negotiation to help the United States free the hostages. That is for Europe to do as well. If there is to be a European contribution to the continuing crisis in the Arab world, that will depend on unity of pur-

Desoite the little England attitudes struck in the House of Commons-which make Britain seem so Iudicrously insular and chauvinist-it is Mrs Thatcher who has made the mistake of rejecting large concessions and sending Chancellor Schmidt and President Giscard home angry and alienated. To do this with the world in its present state shows lack of judgment, a failure to put first things first. Sometimes it is wise to be tough-but it is never wise to quarrel with your friends in the crisis hour which calls for unity.

Government

immediate purposes.

adding a tempting reference to

make available for more

the £4m which abolition would

A sum amounting to less than

a thousandth of National Health

Service expenditure does not

seem an exorbitant price for the

service the Community Health

Councils are meant to provide. It

is true that their effectiveness

varies considerably from place to place, and that they are apt

to stir up controversy. That is part of their business. Since

their purpose is to stand outside

the administrative bierarchy

free from that sense of corporate

solodity which often makes the

National Health Service rela-

tively impervious to outside criticism, their role cannot

criticism, their role cannot effectively be reproduced by the

new district authorities. The Normansfield scandal showed

how effective a Community Health Council could be in

uncovering problems which the

health authority (incidentally, a

single-district area of the kind

the new authorities are to be modelled on) had timidly glossed over. An organization

as large and complex in its services as the National Health

suggests-

Yours faithfully. L. E. ELLSWORTH, 4 Hedgerley Close, Cambridge. April 28.

From Mr John Dobson

Sir, It is with dismay that I learn of the recent abortive rescue attempt by the Americans in Iran. I have recently spent some months in the United States of America as guest of a distinguished and honour-

guest of a distinguished and honourable family in the Mid West.

The tenor of feeling when I was there was, in essence, that of frustration certainly, but well-tempered with restraint. The handling of the crisis up till now by President Carter and his administration exacted the admiration of most if not all educated and responsible people. There was and is a minority who wished to salvage what was, in Wished to salvage what was, in their estimation, a savage blow to the pride and self-esteem of the nation by military means, but fortunately wiser councils were in the majority and did prevail. But now all the sagacity and wisdom employed over the month's has been thrown to the four winds, not least of which is a cold one and blows from the East It is well known that the

American armed forces are not in good heart; many divisions, ships, squadrons exist either only on paper or are seriously below strength. The price of Vietnam has not been

assuaged from the collective conassuaged from the content of science of the nation. To receive another telling blow to the effectiveness of the armed forces will jolt Americans like a blow below the belt. It will also dismay its allies.

belt. It will also dismay its alies. But this is not the real point.

The pity of it is, of course, that this is election year and Mr Carter, while way ahead of his rivals some weeks or months ago, has seen his fortunes slip and we may assume that this badly judged action in Iran was, to some measure, an attempt to restore his position politically as well as affect the free of the unfortunate hostages. But are we—the 96 per cent of the world who are not American—to be put in who are not American—to be put in dire peril by the aspirations of an American presidential candidate? I have had the utmost admiration for Mr Carter in his handling of the awful responsibilities of his office; still have the deepest respect for

I still have the deepest respect for the American way of life, the free-dom, the responsibility of the vast majority of those in public life; but does this act in Iran show to me, and millions like me, that this admiration has been misplaced? Let us and America not sink to the moral depths of those who pernetrated the kidnapping of those fifty Americans. Let us and America be able to hold up our leads at all times and say, even if unsuccessful, we tried in an honour-able and civilized way. The eyes of the world are on America; please let that great country not let us

let that a Yours faithfully. 10HN DOBSON. 18 Stairfoot Walk,

From Mrs C. E. Taylor Sir, It is with increasing dismay that I read so many letters in The Times that seem to be founded on opinion rather than facts based on personal experience concerning Iran. I would, in particular, like to challenge Mr N. Ripley (April 28). I have known Iran and the Iranian people for quite a number of years, from the Caspian Sea down to the Gulf, in the desert, and in

the mountains, and in Tehran. A very short time before the events which led to the Shah's exile the vast majority of Iranians certainly did not have an intense hostility towards anyone. They were in fact very proud of their progress, particularly in medicine, education and agriculture.

I consider Mr Ripley's statement

that we (I quote) "were only in-directly responsible for such things as the Savak torture houses" horrias the Savak torture houses." horrific, Mr Ripley appears not to know what was taking place before the Shah came to the throne, or to notice what in now taking place under the Ayatoliah Khomeini. Whatever methods the Iranian people choose to use is not our business, but it is very wrong to massest that it ever was. suggest that it ever was.

It is time it was clearly understood that what has happened in Iran is a cultural revolution. The

Shah was doing as he thought best. place in a modern world. The Ayatolians and Mullahs did not like like the Shah's order for the women to unvail. There was evidence 100 that they feared a loss of authority over a newly educated, westernized population. With a largely illiterate and volatile people, so many de-voucly attending the mosque each Friday, it was not difficult to in-fluence them and then influence. them, thus bringing about the revo-

As to the vilification of the Shah, and the Government of the United

We sincerely trust that greater

steps will be taken by the media, in future, to portray the facts of life

Support for US action on hostages a test of alliance States, surely it is the oldest trick in the world to find a scapegoat on whom you can blame all the ills attendant upon a nation! Have we already forgotten the use Hitler made of the Jews?

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once the Jews:
Once the question of the hostages has been resolved, whether happily or tragically, the Iranian people must be left to shape their own future, whether Islamic or otherwise. Encouraging fake accusations and hatreds will not help them, and nor will people indulging in their Yours faithfully, CANDIDA E. TAYLOR,

Manor Farm, Quidenham,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From Mrs Vivien Potter Sir, I believe the answer to the release of the American hostages is for the Heads of Church in all European countries and the United States to call for an "international" day of prayer. The day should be a public holiday and services should be held in churches throughout the different countries, attended, one hopes, by Heads of State and President Carter himself.

President Carter himself.

We are dealing with a religious leader in Iran: perhaps our prayers would have great effect since it is obvious to most people that military action, sanctions, and other disagreeable methods are unlikely to have any effect.

Yours truly.

VIVIEN POTTER, 94 Gloucester Street, SW1.

From Mr R. F. Bond Sir, If President Carter really wants the release of the hostages in Tehran he should tender his apologies to

Iran for the support his government and its predecessors gave to the oppressive reign of the Shah. Lord Carrington had no difficulty in making his apologies to the Snudis for Death of Paris and Paris an Death of a Princess. He is the appropriste person to make such a recommendation to the United States President. Yours faithfully,

R. F. BOND, The Retreat, 9 Clive Road Pastingham. Wolverhampton.

From Mrs Jean Griffiths Sir, Should this country support American policy relating to the hostages, bringing us dangerously close to the brink of a third world

The hostages, for whom I have great sympathy, have their lives and have been well treated. In contrest, thousands of Iranians, thanks to CIA funding, have not. Hundreds are left permanently maimed and crippled by SAVAK torturers, this latter establishment having been helped along by American money. Neither American Government nor public cared or care for such human beings, whose plight is infinitely more borrifying.
I see no reason why we should

support America on this, far less be taken to the brink of a third world war on such double standards. Sadly. America does not appear to feel the need for forgiveness for such appalling crimes scainst humanity. Could this just be an excuse for moving nearer to the oil centre and are the hostages merely DEWINS?

Yours sincerely, JEAN GRIFFITHS, 36 Ormond Avenue, Middlesex.

' Death of a Princess ' From Mr C. J. Sper and others

Service must inevitably he afficted to a great extent by Sir, As residents in Saudi Arabia, who are not only earnestly endery-ouring to increase the trade relaadministrative structures: the ouring to increase the trade relations between our two countries but also trying to foster a deeper basis of understanding between peoples of such totally different backgrounds, we have often been disturbed by the British media's recent sensational portrayal of certain events bere. We feel that the expulsion of Her Majesty's Ambassador from the Kingdom calls for a stronger attempt by all concerned to present a more balanced view of things that take place in a country Community Health Councils are not just one dispensable batch committees, but valuable gadflys, which serve to save the things that take place in a country whose age and culture are so widely

different from our own.

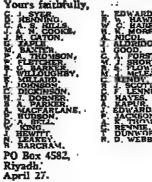
Although life may be different for us here, we are all made sware of various restrictions and we are always free to leave if we do not like them. By and large, the Saudis are courteous, friendly and leave us to our own devices, providing we do not break the law or offend

Is is unformate that the greater mass of the public that the media reaches has no other means to earn both sides of the story, and it is frightening how powerful comions can be formed, and decisions often taken, purely on such "hearsay" evidence. In saying this we do not necessarily condone all events that take place here.

Saudi Arabia has some from the

Saudi Arabia has gone from the camel to Concorde in thirty years and it is hardly surprising that ancient traditions and customs have not changed overnight. Indeed there is often considerable indi-vidual conflict for those who have been educated and exposed to Western ideology, as they strive to equate the new with the old and establish a realistic working relationship between the two in their mother country. It could also be mother country. It could also be said that there are strong grounds for retaining some of the severer forms of punishment and, when observing photographs of recent Easter Monday scenes in Britain, where groups of youths terrorized a family picnic or kicked in the head of someone who simply wore the wrong clothes, we feel our courts could learn much from their Saudi colleagues.

Saudi colleagues. There are no stories here of little old ladies, living alone, too terrified to answer a knock on their front door for fear of being assaulted. In Saudi Arabia you need not be afraid of forgetting to lock your house or car, and we all know that drinking alcohol is against the law. in Saudi Arabia in a more balanced and less sensational way, and that there will be greater understanding on both sides, of our different ideologies, especially those best suited to our individual countries. Yours faithfully,



From the Bishop of Guildford Sir, Death of a Princess may have been an insensitive presentation of affairs in Saudi Arabia, but it should

not be treated as a direct attack on Islam. Your article "No cause to end a friendship" (April 24) and subsequent correspondence suggest that there is confusion on this point. The public execution of women for adultery is not enjoined in the Koran, where the punishment is either flogging or seclusion (24.2; 4.15). It is possible for Muslims themselves to justify capital punishment for this offence by appeal to tradition (Sunnah), but tradition has much to say about the status of witnesses, the circumstances of their testimony and alternative punish-

One fundamental principle of Islamic law is that of consensus (Ijma') and thus it is important that many countries which seek an Islamic way of life have moved away from the severity of punishments im-posed in countries like Saudi Arabia This has happened not only with regard to penalties for adukery and theft but also in more general matters such as polygamy. Islam teaches respect and protection for women but there are other ways of securing this besides the restrictions imposed on them in some com-

To assess Islam according to the claims which Saudi Arabia makes to be its guardian is somewhat like taking the practice in one conser-vative Roman Catholic country to be representative of Christianity. Attitudes towards Islam, in the media and elsewhere, should not be based solely on what happens in the Arabian peninsula or Iran, but should take into account the many contributions which Muslims, both men and women, in other countries including our own, are making to the development of human values within the world community.
Yours sincerely,

† DAVID GUILDFORD. Willow Grange, Woking Road Guildford, Surrey. April 28.

From Professor Yorick Wilks Sir, Surely I cannot have been the only one of your readers to be taken aback by Dame Frances Gardner's letter today (April 26) on Death of a Princess. She supposes that, independently of our need for Saudi oil and trade, the ordinary British citizen found the film offensive ou the ground that he would have been most upset by a similar Saudi treat-ment of "one of the less attractive pastimes" of a member of our own Royal Family, who, like the Saudi family, "can have no private griefs".

I have found no one who believes any such thing, though many will say that for the moment we must crawl to feudal régimes while we need their trade so badly. For the life of me I cannot imagine what activity of our Royal Family could compare in barbarity to shooting a voung girl to death in a car park for a sexual peccadillo, nor backing repeatedly at the neck of her lover with a short blunt knife. It all the correspondence on the film no one has denied its essentia truth. Let our Government watch its tongue if it must, but let us not talk and think like your correspondent. Yours sincerely,

YORICK WILKS. Black Notley Hospital, Braintree, April 26.

Watson Sir, There is a good deal of talk about sanctions at the moment and I suggest that the sanction of withholding advertising from the ITV companies who put on the programme Death of a Princess might be applied by those of their clients who believe that the showing of this offensive programme was irresponsible and injurious to the health of British trade in the Middle East.

From Vice-Admiral Sir Philip

Yours faithfully, PHILIP WATSON, Finchingfield House, Finchingfield. Braintrec, Essex.

Violence on the Underground

From Mr P. W. Davies From Mr P. W. Davies
Sir, In common with millions of other residents of London, my travel habits have recently been seriously affected by the early close-down of London Underground services as a protest about violence and vandalism. I must admit that this official NUR action has in the past tried me hur I have been forced to irked me, but I have been forced to

rapidly change my mind.
Yesterday, at about 1.30 pm, I was at Leicester Square station and witnessed what was a practically unbelievable sight. About 20 heavy-booted and cropped skinheads charged through the turnstiles and charged through the synaking smaking rushed down the escalator smashing every advertising plate they could find. Passers by simply cowered in terror but perhaps the most disturbing aspect of the affray was the sight of a small girl bysterical with fear. Needless to say, there was no police presence whatsoever.

No attempt was made to curtail this wanton and violent vandalism, and I can only now conclude that it is no longer safe to travel in central London on a warm spring afternoon. I gather that even in New York, the epicentre of such activity, it is only at night that such amazing break-

downs in society occur.

I would wish the National Union of Railwaymen well in their protest and I hope that some official action be taken now before the entire London Underground becomes a massive and permanent no-go area. Yours sincerely,

PETER WYNNE DAVIES. The London Welsh Association: 157/163 Gray's Inn Road, WC1. April 26.

Defence and the EEC From Sir Peter Vanneck, MEP for Cleveland (Conservative)

Sir, Mr Roy Grantham's article (April 25) suggesting that European defence costs be brought into the EEC Budget equation is full of interest. His comment that we can-not for long have a Community that oversubsidizes agriculture, does little for unemployment, and treats defence as if it does not exist highlights the absence from the formal committees of the Parliament of one

This is ostensibly because defence is not specifically mentioned in the Treatles. But it is not specifically excluded either and many important topics are debated that are not specifically in the Treaties. It is my contention that the Com-

munity, including new members as they join, must be free to discuss defence matters in a formal committee, not just by animadversion in debates on other subjects. I hope by the end of the current five-year session we shall have demonstrated the need to have this competence recognized. It would in no way detract from the importance of Nato, but would show to the world our concern with, for instance, supply routes to the Community from farther afield. We must evidence a strength in Europe through a unity of purpose that would need to be consulted fully before bilateral arms treaties are concluded by the superpowers, virtually over our

If in addition financial defence contributions can be agreed as part of, or ancillary to, the Budget, we have yet another way of redressing its present ridiculous imbalance. Yours faithfully. PETER VANNECK.

39-45 Finsbury Square, EC2.

Ulster and the Union

From Dr N. E. Saul Sir, Dr. Pulbrook (April 21) suggests redrawing the Northern Ireland border so as to transfer the Catholic minorities of Fermanagh and Tyrone to the Republic.

But a simple border adjustment will not of itself eliminate from Northern Ireland the presence of those who reject the Union. What about the Catholics of Belfast and Londonderry? The idea of resettling them all in the south, though having the appeal of logic and finality, is hardly in the realm of

political practicability.

Dr Pulbrook's suggestion might actually do positive harm by en-couraging the belief that Britain will abandon its commitment to the Union with Northern Ireland. Yours faithfully.

NIGEL SAUL, Department of History, Royal Holloway College, Egham Hill. Surrey.

Adult Education fees From Mrs Margaret Steinitz

Sir, With reference to the article (April 23) concerning the Inner London Education Authority in-creases in fees for Adult Education courses from September 1930, I must point out that the choir in question is the London Bach Society and not the Each Chair. In addition it must be emphasized that the difficulties have been dic-

that the difficulties have been dic-tated by the withdrawal of the re-coupment facility of other authori-ties ourside the ILEA, is the amount paid by a student's home authority for a class attended in the ILEA. The article implies that the diffi-culties are caused by the ILEA in culties are caused by the ILEA in-creases which is a much smaller matter. It is the number of students outside the ILEA that can no longer get recoupment which is the diffi-culty. The implications for societies

such as the London Bach Society are therefore manifold. Youre faithfully, MARGARET STEINITZ.

137 St Julian's Farm Road, SE27.

Horse sense

From Mrs Constance Cook Sir. Yes! For goodness sake call it "Liturgy"—then the Rev Mr. Graham-Orlebar (April 26) can at least say he is trying out the new Liturgy ! Yours faithfully, CONSTANCE COOK, Little Hill. Much Hadham, Hertfordshire, April 26.

burch and State pm the Reverend Colin

. In your edition of April 10 you int a letter from Prebendary John arce which said that the cause o establishment "cannot be an ingelical one". I have the greatest spect for John Pearce, but, at the ne time, there are logical points ich arise in connexion with his

Firstly is there any single entity ich can be called "establish-nt", in such a way that it is self-dent what "disestablishment" aus? My own understanding is it there is a series of links been Church and state and that se are being slowly modified, unged, and sometimes weakened, m year to year. secondly, is it appropriate to cite

example of our Queen as a mani-tation of the benefits of the existestablishment of religion? There we been many monarchs exhibit-ungoddiness when the Church i more established than it is at moment: logically there could monarchs exhibiting equal or ater devotion when the Church e less established. The two points not logically connected. birdly, it is not surprising that.

list evangelicals have viewed h alarm most of the pressures change within the Church of gland over the last 150 years. Thould have ralled to the companion Section and the te's guardianshin of that settleot, as the bastions of the faith. event like the defeat of the 1929 eposited" Prayer Book certainly firmed them in their affirma-I that only the state could save m from what Prebendary Pearce is the " worst excesses of ecclesicism". But it is still worth ask-whether this reliance upon the e over five generations has not ually damaged something central evangelicalism—viz. the concept pilgrim church constantly up reform in the light of Scripture, principle which overrides even most treasured of traditions? ourthly, when Prebendary wee says that the cause of stablishment, cannot be an

evangelical one", then surely he has forgotten all the cry of the "crown rights of the Redeemer" in Scotland in the last century and at other times? Was this not evangelically as the most example of the state of t licalism at its most principled? And is it really necessary to a biblical standpoint to insist that church government should ultimately be subject to state government, that appointments of bishops should be put through the hands of a secular Prime Minister, that the cleray of the Church of England should be unable to sit in the House of Commons, and that (contrariwise) 25 bisboos of the Church of England must sit in the House of Lords? A certain amount of a posteriori justification may be raised by those who like these things-but the suggestion that they are not necessary to a hiblital Christianity has also a certain prima facie plausibility, and may well be a serious understate-

ment of the actual case. For my part I am itching to eform some of these things. Yours faithfully COLIN BUCHANAN. Principal. St John's College, Chilwell Lane, Bramcote,

Antiquities under fire

Nottingham.

April 21

From Sir Paul Wright Sir, The cost in human suffering of the tragic conflict within Lebanon and, more lately, across its southern borders, needs no emphasis in your columns. Our sympathy goes our to all of whatever race, creed or nation all of whatever race, creed or nation who are afflicted by the mounting toll of dead and injured. Thuse who are familiar with this historic region will also be aware of the threat posed to the antiquities with which ir abounds and in particular to the ancient city of Tyre, which has recently been the scene of severe

fighting and bombing. Recent years have seen the deelopment of this former Phoenician city into an archaeological site of rare importance, bearing witness to the long march of human civilisa-

tion from peolithic times to the present day. For these antiquities to be destroyed or irreparably damaged would be a tracic loss not only for those nations in the imonly the mediate vicinity whose past is intimately linked with that of Tyre itself, but for the whole of Europe, which owes so much to the Eastern

rest from complacency.

The need to protect these sites was recognised by the Security Council of the United Nations by the adoption of Resolution No 459 on December 19, 1979, paragraph 5 of which states:

Takes note also of the efforts of the Government of Lebanon to obtain international recognition for the protection of the archaeological and cultural sites and monuments in the city of Tyre in accordance with International Law and the Hague Convention of 1954 which considers such cities, sites and monuments a heritage of interest to all mankind.

In order to give practical expression to these sentiments, an ternational Committee to Save Tyre" is being formed in Paris, under the guidance of the Lebanese under the guidance of the Lebanese Ambassador to Unesco and with the Director-General of Unesco, his Excellency Amadou Mouhrar M'Bow as its homorary President. The committee's first action will be to organise a "Day for Tyre" at Unesco in Paris on May 5.

It is greatly to be boned that these efforts will attract widespread international support and thus draw attention to the concern which is felt by all who know and love this city and the heriesee which it represents. PAUL WRIGHT.

Strong language From Dr O. R. Impep

3 Ormonde Gate, SW3.

Sir, In 1960 I tasted a "scotch" whisky in Japan called Queen George. Yours fairhfully. O. R. IMPEY. The Ashmolean Museum.

Department of Eastern Art.

April 24

It may not even be realized by some that there are 30,000 British experience living and working in the Kingdom.



COURT CIRCULAR.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE April 23: The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh left Heathrow Air-port—Loudon this morning in a British Airways Trideot Aircraft (Captain G. A. C. Gray) for the Captain C. A. C. Gray) for the State Visit to Switzerland.

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness were received upon arrival at the airport by Mr Michael King (Director, Heathrow Airport, London), the Baroness Phillips (Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutemant for Captain London). Greater London), Dr Karl Fritschi (the Swiss Charge d'Affaires), Mr Kenneth Wilkinson (Deputy Chair-Kenneth Wilkinson (Deputy Chairman, British Airways) and Mr William Gregson (Deputy Chairman, British Airways) and Mr William Gregson (Deputy Chairman, British Airports Authority).

The followings are in attendance. man, British Airports Authority).

The following are in attendance:
Mr Peter Blaker, MP (Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office; Minister in Attendance) and Mrs Blaker, the Countess of Airlie, the Hon Sir Phillip Moore, the Right Hon Sir Phillip Moore, Mr Robert Fellowes, Mr Michael Shea, Surgeon-Captain Norman Blacklock, RN, Alr Commodore Sir Archie Winskill, Licutenant-C. mmander Robert Guy, RN and Wing Commander Antony Nichol-

The Prince of Wales, Chairman.
The Prince of Wales, Chairman.
The "Royal Jubilee Trusts, this
morning chaired a meeting of the
Administrative Council at Buckingham Palace.

The Prince of Wales, attended by the Hon Edward Adeane and Captain Anthony Asquith, left Heathrow Airport, London this afternoon in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight for Amsterdam.

By command of The Queen, the Lord Lyell (Lord in Waiting) was present and bade farewell to His Royal Highness on behalf of Her Majesty.

His Excellency Monsieur Robbert
Fack (Netherlands Ambassador),
Mir Dugald Malcolm (Special Representative of the Secretary of Dia State for Foreign and Common-wealtht Affairs) and Mr John 75:
Wright (Deputy Director, British Bri Airports Authority, London) took 75. Birthdays today

Prince is first

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Latest appointments

Harrogate College

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nirls. Susan Davies is head of

Today's engagements

The Prince of Wales represents the Queen at accession ceremony of Queen Beatrix, Amsterdam, Holland.

Hollind.
The Duke of Kent, patron of the Institute of Export, attends 1980 export laucheon, Portman Intercontinental hotel, 12.50.

commental notes, 12.50.

he Duchess of Kent, as patron of
Yehudi Menuhin School, attends
chamber music concert in aid of
Friends of Yehudi Menuhin,
Civic Hall, Guildford, 7.55.

Exhibitions: India: tombs and remples, Deanna Petherbridge, Angela Flowers, 11 Tottenhum Mews, 10.30-S.30; Works by

president of

Mr Vernon Bartlett, 86; Lord Diamond, 73; Dame Isabel Graham Bryce, 78; Dr L. Paul, 75; Lord Peart, 66; Lord Saint Brides, 64; Sir Frank Turnbull, Receptions

Frome Minister
The Prime Minister was bost at a reception held yesterday evening at 10 Downing Street in honour of the members of the Newspaper Conference and the editors. The Prince of Wales, chairman of the Royal Jubilee Trusts since 1975, has become their first president, it was announced from Buckingtum Palace yesterday.

Lord Remnant, who has been honorary treasurer of King George's Jubilee Trust since 1972 and of the Queen's Silver Jubilee Trust since its formation, is the new chairman. Mr Geoffrey Wilson, a member of the administrative council, succeeds him as honorary treasurer. Lord Vaizey entertained the Rar-vard University Club of London at a reception in the House of

leave of The Prince of Wales r

CLARENCE HOUSE

KENSINGTON PALACE

His Royal Highness's departure.

Queen Mother this afternoon visited Davenant Foundation Grammar School at Loughton on the Occasion of the School's Ter-

Luncheons Lord Cheiwood
The Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, Sir Robin Vanderfelt, gave

tion, Sir Robin Vandorfelt, gave a luncheon yesterday at the House of Lords in honour of members of the Nigerian Senate: Alkaji Haruna Muza, Chief Emmanual Iulahosa Ojawafemi Akpata, Chief Tony Anyanwu, Alhaji Bukar Sanda and Alkaji Adamu Gaya. Mr R. M. Nabulyato, Speaker of the Nutional Assembly of Zambia, the association's president, presided. Others present included: The Speaker of House of Remreemiations of Fill, Mr E. A. Adiyato, Mr E. C. Anyanku: Lard Etwynnones, Lord Grey of Nameon, Mr James otherson, Mr James otherson, Mr James otherson, Mr James otherson. onorary treasurer.
Sir Peter Studd is to be sur reter Stude is to be appointed a trustee on his retirement as vice-chairman of the trusts. He has been vice-chairman of King George's Jubilee Trust aince 1973. Other appointments include:
The following to be members of
an independent commission under
Mr Edmund Dell established by
the Hausard Society to examine
the financing of politics in
Britain: Johnson, MP. and Mr A. A. Coher.
Ministry of Defence
Admiral of the Fleet Sir Terence
Lewin, Chief of Defence Staff, was
host at a luncheon held yesterday
at Admiratty House in honour of
General H. F. Zeiner Gundersen,
Chairman of the Natur Military Britain : bir Joel Barnett, MP, Mr Vernon Bogdanor (secretary), Sir Paul Bryan, MP, Sir Barrie Hesth, Mrs Sarah Hogg, Mr Richard Holme, Mr Dick Leonard, Mr David McKle, Mr Richard Rowntree, and Mr Sidney Weighel!. Chairman of the Nato Military Committee. Those present in-

Parrogate College reopens today

Dinners

school. Sports and Open Day will be held on Friday June 27 and the Commemoration Service on Satur' day, June 28, at 10.30 am. Term ends on July 16 and half-term is from May 24 to June 1. Lady Mayoress
The Speaker attended a dinner
given by the Lord Mayor and Lady
Mayores: at the Mansion House yesterday. Among others present

Berit Vogt and Jackie Bongers, Henderson Gallery, 98 Hamover Street, Edinburgh, 10.30-5.30; Mersey micro-show, microcom-puters, micro-systems, word pro-cessors and personal computers, Adelphi Hotel, Ranelagh Place, Liverpool, 10-6. Lectures: Venice 1548; Titlan, Tinteretty, Vennice, Sansovino.

KENSINGTON PALACE
The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark
Phillips, Honorary Air Commodore, visited Royal Air Force
Lyncham today where Her Royal
Highness was received by Her
Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for
Wiltshire (the Lord Margudale)
and the Commanding Officer
(Group Captain J. Hardstaff).
Mrs Andrew Fellden was in
structures. The Queen was represented by the Lord Clark at the Memorial Service for Mr Graham Sutherland which was held in Westmingter. Cathedral this afternoon. ham, Kent. Mr J. M. C. Mouat and Miss S. J. Giuseppi The engagement is announced between John, eldest aon of Mr D. Mouat, of Ryde, Isle of Wight, and the late Mrs G. Mouat, and Sarah, elder daughter of Mr E. L. Giuseppi, CBE, and Mrs Giuseppi, of Woldingham, Surrey. Mr N. S. M. Paterson-Morgan and Miss R. M. Rerve The Hon Mary Morrison has suc-ceeded the Lady Susan Hussey as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

Orthcoming

marriages

Princess Alexandra; as patron, will attend the World Congress of Paediatric Cardiology at the Wem-bley Conference Centre on June between Nicholan, son of Mr and Mrs Authony Paterson-Morgan, of Church Farm, Duntisbourne Aboots. Gloucestershire, and Rosalind, eldest daughter of Mr Tim Reeve, of Greenfield Farmhouse, Steyning, Sussex, and Mrs Mary Reeve, of The Orangery Mews, Hampton, Middlesex. oley Conference Centre on June 2, and as pairon attend a gala evening in aid of the National Association for Mental Realth at Blazer's Club, Windson.

Princess Alexandra will present the certificates and prizes to the nurses at the Royal Free Hospital, Hamp-stead, on June 11.

Mews. Hampton, Middlesex.
Mr A. P. Reid
and Miss J. Eaves
The eogagement is announced
between Alister Peter, elder son
of the late Mr Peter Reid and of
Mrs Vera Reid, of Lytham, and
Jane, eldest daughter of Mr and
Mrs Raymond Eaves, of Woodnlumpton Practice Today is the birthday of the Queen of The Netherlands. The King of Sweden is 34 today. A memorial service for George Hutchinson will be held at St Bride's, Fleet Street, at noon plumpton, Preston. A service of thanksgiving for the life of Admiral Sir Henry McCall, will be held at Holy Trinity Church, Wonston, near Winchester, Hampshire, at 3 pm, on Friday, May 9.

and Miss L. M. W. Henderson
The engagement is annonneed
between John, elder son of Mr and
Mrs C. Wagner, III, of Denver,
Colorado, and Linda, daughter of
Mr and Mrs R. M. M. Henderson,
of Crawford Street, London, W.1.

Marriage Mr B. M. Norman and birs V. J. Floyd The marriage took place in Lon-don on April 29, 1980, between Mr Bryan Montagu Norman and Mrs Victoria Jane Floyd.

Lord and Lady Demning, the Hon glan and Mrs Hare, Sir Edward and Lade Studd. Colonid and Alderman Sir Jindsay and Lady Ring, the Agent General for Ouebox and Mms Lobsells, Mr P. V. Collings, Mr and Mrs Robin Leigh-Pemberton and Mr and Mes P. C. Smith.

Apostotic Delegate
Mr James Callaghan, MP, and Mrs
Callaghan were the guests of
homour at a dinner given by the
Apostolic Delegate at the delegation yesterday. Others present
were: The High Commissionar for The Gambia and Mrs Semegai-Jannet. the Ambassasor of Israel and Mrs Argor, the Swisse Charge d'Affaires and Mrs Früschl, the Bishop of Southwark, the Jon Diana Makgill. Dr and Mrs Georg Callee, Mr and Mrs Kenneth R. Stowe and Mgr Mario Oliver.

British Computer Society
Professor F. H. Summer, immediate past-President of the British
Computer Society, was bost at a
dinner pary held at the Athemacum last night at which he
presented Dr Gene M. Amdahl,
founder of the Amdahl Corporation of the United States, with a
certificate of disinguished fellowship of the society for outstanding services to computing. Among
others present were:

others present were: Mr F. J. Hooser, Mrs V. S. Shirley and Mr D. Butler of the Eritish Com-puter Society, and Mr P. Williams, A. Best and Mr F. Williams, A. Rest and Mr F. C. Pasole, of Amachi (UK) Limited.

Mr Robert Humbert, who retires as Senior Parmer of Humberts on April 30, was entertained at conner at the Naval and Military Clob, 94 Piccadilly, London, W1, on Tuesday, April 23, by his partners. Mr Humbert, who has been with the firm since 1933 apart from war service, will continue as con-

Association of County Councils Sir Gervas Walker, chairman of the Executive Council of the Association of County Councils, gave a dinner party last night at the Goring hotel in honour of Mr and Mrs A. C. Hetherington to mark the occasion of Mr Hetherington's retirement as secretary of the association.

Concerts: Galin Vishnevskays and Mstislav Rostropovich, Royal Naval College Chapel, Green-wich, 8; The Majorca Orches-tra: Edwardian parlour music to original compositions, Air Gal-lery, 6-8 Rosebery Avenue, 7.30. Lunchtime music: Bryan Keily's Gloria performed by Tilford Ensemble, St George's, Hanover, Square, 1.10; Holborne Consort, St Olare, 1.05; Philip Matthias, organ recital, St Bride's, 1.15. Actures: Venice 1548: Titlan, Tintoretto, Veronese, Sansovino, National Gallery, 1; Twentieth-century portraits: From Marisse to Warhol, Tate Gallery 1; Medieval takes and forgeries, Paul Williamson, V and A Museum, 1.15; The poerry of D. H. Lawrence, presented by Stan Trevor and Bob Cobbings, Burgh House, New End Square, Hampstead, 3. Flower Show, Royal Hortfcultural Society Show, Vincent Square, 10-5. Mcmorial service: Major-General Aubrey Coad, St John's, Devizes, 2.30.

Science report Agriculture: Sprouting potatoes a potato's longest sprout can be related directly to the sum of the daily mean temperatures during storage, from which four degrees centigrade is subtracted. Those so-called day degrees are thus a measure of the physiological age of a potato. They can aid in the prediction and control of subsequent performance in the field.

Potato growers have long recognized the important effects of sprouting on the yields of their crops. Research sponsored by the Potato Marketing Boards has shown that they can influence those effects by changing the time and temperature of storage before planting. Seed potatoes, like proper seeds, pass through a phase of dormancy in which their physio-

logical activity is at a very low ebb and they will not germinate. After that they are ready to ger-minate, but show no signs of sprouting until the conditions are right.

Scientists have found that an increase in physiological age can increase the yield at early harrests in all varieties of potatoes grown for the market. But after that the advantage of planting physiologically old seed potatoes declines because they give rise to a limited growth of leaves. Scientists at the University College of Wales, in Aberstwyth, and the National Vegetable Research Station, near Warwick, have shown that the timing and extent of sprouting, which is physiologically equivalent to an aging process, depends on temperature and the time that has Living since the end of dormancy. In precise terms, the length of

> 25 years ago From the Times of Saturday, April 30, 1955 President of Italy

Because Italy has the largest Communist Party outside the iron curtain the presidency is an office of great importance. While maintaining the security of the state the President has still to ensure the smooth working of parliamentary government to represent mentary government, to represent those who support the regime and also to appear to convince those who do not support it that he is prepared within the limits of the constitution to work with them.



"Portrait of a gentleman", by Pompeo Batoni, which has been acquired for £55,000 by the National Gallery in London.

Museum pays £24,000 for terra cotta of St Jerome

By Geraldine Norman Sale Room Correspondent

Both the Royal Scottish Museum and the Victoria and Albert were among the successful purchasers, at Christie's sale of fine sculpture

among the successive purchasers at Christie's sale of fine sculpture and works of art yesterday.

The Edinburgh museum paid \$24,080 (estimate \$20,000-f30,000) for a fitneenth-century terra cotta relief of "St Jerome in the desert" with his iton at his side. Christie's had attributed the panel, a rectangle more than a foot high, to a Paduan artist called Bartolommeo Bellano.

The desert is depicted as a very attractive, rocky laudscape and is close in style to Ghiberti's famous Gates of Paradise in Florence: Bellano was working in Florence: Bellano was working in Florence in the 1450s when they were unveiled. The Royal Scottish Museum has been actively collecting Renaissance and post-realissance sculpture for some time.

time.

The Victoria and Albert paid £12,000 (estimate £12,000-£15,000) for a panel (62 cm by 44 cm) of thirteenth-century French stained glass; it depicts 'St Let discussing with an architect'. The panel had been offered in Christie's December, 1979 works of art auction with a much more ambitious estimate; it was then bought in at £13,000.

There was another more modes.

There was another more modest museum purchase when a child's bed, carved by the Flemish rococo sculptor, Laurent Delvaux, for his daughter, was bought by the museum at Nivelles, in southern Belbium, for £1,500, Delvaux lived in the town during the latter part of his career.

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Among the ivocies the top price was £22,000 (estimate £18,000 to £25,000) for an early-eighteenth-

Latest wills Lord Thomas, former vice-chairman of Morris Motors, and one-time chairman of BOAC, left 679-912 net

E679,912 net.

Mr Frank Barker, of RushmereRoad, Northampton, company
director, who left £103,411 net, bequeathed all his property equally
between the Northampton and
County Association for the Blind,
the Leather and Hide Trades Provident and Renearlant Intributions. dent and Benerolent Institution, St Ctristopher's Home, Northampton, and the Imperial Cancer Research Fund.

Correspondent
The Royal Horticultural Society's
flower show and rhododeudron
show, in conjunction with competitions run by. the Royal National
Rose Society, Datfodil Society and
British Irls Society, fill the New
Hall, Westminster, to capacity
with interesting and colourful
displace

century relief of the childhood of Bacchus by Ignaz Elhzfen, selling to Redford. A fourteenth-century lyory diptych was unsold at 222,000 (estimate £23,600 to £35,000). The safe tetalled £300,533, with 33 percent unsold.

The high unsold percentage reflects the lack of demand for works not of the highest quality, principally the gothic wood carvings.

In Pacis on Monday a Laurin Guilloux auction devoted to the collection of c'ameenh-century books, prints and drawings formed by Maurice Péreire made £125,121, with 23 per cent unsold; it was the second sale devoted to the collection.

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Both the Bibliothéque Nationale and the Musée d'Art et Archaeologie used their right to preempt auction purchases quite extensively. The latter paid 77,500 francs (estimate 75,000 francs), or £8,073, for the Abbé de Saint-Non's manuscript Journal of a journey through Italy in 1759-60.

A superb set of the aquatints made by Saint-Non after the paintings he had seen in Iraly brought the top price of the sale at 96,000 francs (estimate 40,000 francs), or 19,375. The Bibliothèque Nationale 29,375. The Bibliothèque Nationale paid 7,500 francs (estimate 6,000 francs), or £781, for Anne de la Roche Guilliem's Journal Amoureux d'Espiagne, published in Ports in 1675.

in Parts in 1675.

At Sothelin's yesterday a sale of Continental autograph letters and manuscripts totalled £105,106, with 15 per cent unsold. Banco do Brasil paid £10,000 (estimate £5,000 to £6,000) on behalf of the Brazilian Government for documents referring to the revolutionary conspiracy led by Joaquin José da Silva Xavier about 1790. in Brazil.

manufacturer, left-£354,012 net. After personal bequests be left the residue equally between the Dis-tressed Genilefolk's Aid Associa-tion, the Salvation Army, British Deaf Association, British Rheumatism and Arthritis Association, RNIB, Shafresbury-Society, Abbeg-field (Chichester) Society, British Heart Foundation, and Age Concern, England.

Other estates include (net before tax paid; tax not disclosed): Lipman, Mr Harry, of Gloucester Square, Westminster ... 2957,356

bulbous plants may be seen in profusion, as well as a number of excellent specimens of early flowering shrubs, such as Photinas frascri "Red Robin", Vibsamum plicatum "Grandiflorum", Exocardu macrantha "The Bride", Sprin; rulgaris "Primrose" and Charmonicles Japonica "Chosan".

Sprin : ruigaris "Primirose" and Checimoneles Japonica "Chosan".

Among more unusual plants for so early in the year are exhibits of sweet peas, raised under glass, and Iceland poppies, in shades of plak, white, yellow and orange.

There are also many poor and pans of alpines in flower, including the lovely deep pink ministure Duphne petrota "Graodi-flora". Cascilis", white hell flowers and souffer-like leaves, and the Lewisia "Birch Hybrids" in shades of pink. There are a mamber of displays of auriculas and prignulas, 100.

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The compeditive classes in the 10 am to 5 pm.

RHS gold medal for sempervivums

Fund-raisers | OBITUARY for arts get £25,000 state aid

Arts Reporter
Private support for the arts was given a financial boost by the Government yesterday when a cheque for £25,000 was presented in London to Lord Goodman, chairman of the Association for Businets Sponsorably of the Arts, by Mr. Norman St John-Stevas, Chanceltor of the Duchy of Lancaster and Minister for the Arts. The money is to provide back-up for AESA to develop its consultancy role to government, arts and commerce. Handley over the special grant, Mr St John-Stevas said it was the prelimitary step in the next stage of the campaign, about which a further announcement would be made in a few weeks.

The minister said bardly a week

The minister said hardly a week passed without new sponsors coming forward. "There is great scope for increased business sponsorship of the arts."

sorship of the arts."

Lord Goodman said the cheque was "£10,000 more than I expected". It was slightly paradoxical for an organization that existed to extract money from non-governmental sources to procure a cheque from the Government in order to maintain itself. But small some were needed to oil the wheels and were needed to all the wheels and keep the machinery going.

Both Lord Goodman and the minister referred to the decision last week by Mr High Thomas, the bistorian, to hand back his \$7,500 literature prime to the Arts

Lord Goodman said Mr Thomas had taken the philosophical view that public subsidy was the source of all evil. He thought that "a mild exaggeration" and added, "Of all the institutions that have done harm to the community, the Arm Council comes very low down

her St John-Stevas said it would have been of great assistance to him, as he tried to "scratch up" money for organizations that needed it, if Mr Thomas had given the cheque to him. "I respect his acruples, but I could use that money very effectively for a number of small organizations that do need just a reference of small organizations.

£100,000 backing for orchestra

The Scottish National Orchestra is to perform a series of at least 16 concerts all over the United Kingdom with sponsorship worth £100,000 from the Scottish insurance group, General Accident. Under its musical director, Sir Alexander Gibson, the orchestra will play from April to October next year in England, Scotland and Wales, and will also make its first visit to Northern Ireland.

Close finish in bridge battle for Crockford's Cup

By Our Bridge Correspondent
M. R. Pomfrey's team won the
Boglish Bridge Union's bational
teams championship for the Crockford's Cup, the closing stages of
which were played in Birmingham
last weekend.

In a close finish Pomfrey, five of whose team had won the Wool-wich spring four-somes in February, gained a two-point advantage over G. T. Kirby's team, who are the present lenders in the British trials The results were:

US academy associates Mr J. B. Gurdon, who is on the staff of the Medical Research Council at the Inboratory for molecular biology in Cambridge, and Mr M. V. Wilkes, head of Patener, Lieutenaut-Colouel Philip Dayrell Stewart, of Dorney, Berkshire 2314,794

Lieutenaut-Colouel Philip university, have been elected associates of the United States shire

include:

At 8. F. Christio, Bain, Lional de Rothschild Challenge Che fee clight, Brodick Challenge Che fee clight, Brodick Challenge French Challenge Che fee clight, Brodick Castle, Setaron Challenge R. N. Siophenson Claits, Haywards Heath, Roza Stovenson Challenge Cap, one rowry at branch of any Species; the Hon, Edward Boucaven, Handcrass, Loder Challenge Che fer one rosts, Loder Challenge Che fer Reschort, Condition of Challenge Che Reschort, Loder Challenge Che fer Reschort, Loder Challenge Che for the risk hybrids; and Mrs E. G. Khainwort, Harwards Heath, Brest mrke for cight hybrids.

Leading prize-winners in the late spring British Irls Society dwarf and median competitive classes

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gate of points in the competitive classes. The best bloom in show was a superb example of "Isabel de Ortz" exhibited by Mrx G. E. Revis, Isleworth.

The show is open today from 10 am to 5 years.

BARONE G. B. RUBIN DE CERVIN --- Italian naval historian

Barone G. B. Rubin de Cervin Albrizzi, who died on April linguist and apart from a 13th aged, 80, was, from 1943 to number of historical works in his death, Director of the Italian, he published various Museo Storico Navale at items abroad. His English was

museum of both Venetian and Italian naval history. He also there to Princess Alexandra.

De Cervin was a remarkable Venice and as such a custodian impeccable and he contributed of the maritime heritage by a number of valuable articles which that city Once did . . . on classical and medieval shipwhich that city "Once did ... on classical and medieval shiphold the gorgeous East in fee. And was the safeguard of the West". It was a role he filled admirably, being of noble family, a gifted marine artist and a fine scholar, particularly in matters Venetian.

His father, a rear-admiral in the Italian navy, was killed when the Benedetto Brin exploded at Brindisi in 1915. De Cervin himself took a degree in jurisprudence, qualifying as a barrister, and became a lieutenant in the supply branch of the navy during the last war. In 1943 he joined the Museo Storico Navale and he was responsible for resiting, restructuring and developing it as a museum of both Venetian and gave at the National Maritime Museum at Creenwick in 1960. starting point in the Annual Lecture of the Society for Nautical Research which he gave at the National Maritime museum of both Venerian and gave at the National Maritime Italian naval history. He also played a prominent role in the founding of the International Congress of Maritime Museums. Many acquisitions of the museum were gifts by himself, and fus own home, the Palazzo Albrizzi, was in itself something of a museum being one of the last of the great Venetian palazi to remain a family residence. He was recently host there to Princess. Alexandra.

DR R. E. WITT

A correspondent writes:

The funeral has taken place championship of contemporary in Athens of the helienist Dr and post-classical Greece. He R. E. Witt.

Born the son of a master the Beloved (1965), a travel mariner (and the grandson of a diary in the best traditions of bricklayer) he was schooled at the English scholar at large. In Taunton's School where he was Isis in the Graeco-Roman World a pupil of Horace King (later. (1971) he made a bold attempt Lord Maybray King), and was to set the image of the Mother a classical scholar of such of God in its true cultural promise as to gain a Rouse Ball depth. Most important of all. a classical scholar of such of God in its true cultural promise as to gain a Rouse Ball studentship at Trinity College. Cambridge. He had taught himself classical Greek, as he was later to do modern Greek. For his dissertation on the neoplations Ablana (1937), now a standard work, he was promoted doctor of the University. With the great classicist A. S. F. Gow he broke more then one lance. Forced by the economics of the thirties to choose teaching before research he became a grammar school headmaster first at Calday, then at Tottenham (a 17th century foundation), serving also on the Senate of London University.

But it was later that he found in its true cultural of God in its true cultural of God in its true cultural of the its many visits to God in its true cultural of the culture his many visits to God in its true cultural depth. Most important of all, during his many visits to Goet he created a network of academic, ministerial and lay friendships, as well as those with "the men in the street" — the match seller, the small shopkeeper — which must greatly help the cause of Greece in Europe. At the moment of his death he had partly completed a biography, which was to be definitive, of the great first at Calday, then at Tottenham (a 17th century foundation), serving also on the Senate of London University.

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But it was later that he found are and searching freemason.

BRIGADIER J. R. C. GANNON

Brigadier J. R. C. Gannon, knowledge of personalities CBE, MVO, a distinguished made him invaluable as DMS exponent of polo, died on April 25 at the age of 97.

Sir. Andrew Horsbrugh-Porter gomety's staff as Deputy Mili-

Sir. Andrew Horsbrugh-Porter writes:

Jack was a good polo player.
Perhaps his zenith was in 1922 when he rated 7 goals in the handicap and played at number one for the Indian Army team defeated 5—5 by Kashmir in the Prince of Wales' Commemoration Cup in Delhi. But it was as manager of Hurling-ham from 1935 to 1939 and from 1946 until his death as Secretary of the Hurlingham supposed grievance. He issuesed Polo Association that he dis-played his supreme contribution

played his supreme contribution to polo as an administrator. Polo players can be excitable, even intitating, in their demands for priority of grounds and times of play. At Hurlingham Jack dealt with every difficulty in the same unruffled manner as he had dealt with military archiams. mainer as he had deart with the represented long forgotten in Military Secretary in India. He was universally respected and foved by the high-powered players from all over the world.

Back in military harness his to the wrongdoer.

made him invaluable as DMS to Home Forces and finally he joined Field Marshal Montgomery's staff as Deputy Military Secretary and retained the appointment until he again retired in 1945.

Since the last War Jack had cularly steared the Hurling.

carefully, said little and achieved much by his sympathy accieved much by his sympathy towards an outrageous grisv-ance—which spent itself upon the rock of his own personality. But if anyone had a genuine case—Jack would swiftly sec that justice was done at any cost to himself. He represented a way of life

long forgotten in the mists of English history.
A true Knight of the Round Table—courteous and encour aging to the young and steel

MISS ELSIE SUDDABY

Elsee Suddaby, one of the leading British soprance of the performances of Honegeer's inter-war years, has died at the geo of 81. She was born in Leads and studied the piano there before discovering that she had a good voice. She went to take singing lessons with Edward Baistow, after which the hegan her career at the slap took part in the natural states. Leeds and studied the piano there before discovering that she had a good voice. She went to make singing lessons with Edward Bainstow, after which she began her career at the Leeds Triennial Festival in 1922. She was immediately moted for her clear tone and unaffected style.

Her repertory was extensive, but Bach, Handel, Mozart and Eigar were perhaps her happiest territory. She regularly appeared with the Bach Choir and with other leading choral societies throughout the countries of the original 16 soloists in Vaughan Williams's Serenade to Music, written for She Henry Wood's jubilee in 1938. She also took part in the annual performances before the war of Hamatha at the Afbert Hall. She was one of the earliest singers to make their names on the radio, and there, as on her records, her bell-like timbre was much admired. Her interpretations of English song from posers of her day went to the heart of the matter.

SIR CHARLES GOODEVE

Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors at the hearing of the late Sir Charles Goodeve's claim for an award, I should like to augment the reference in his obitizary to his playing a leading part in the defeat of the magnetic mine during the last war which resulted in his being awarded 27,500 tax free.

The neutralisation of the disastrous effect of the magnetic mine on our shipping was a vital development of far reaching im-portance to the survival of the United Kingdom in the early part of the last war. The iron

Lord Lloyd of Kilgerran writes: his inspiring Tendership inten-As I was associated with the Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors at the hearing of the local around the hulls of shins an electric cable through rent could be passed to neutra-lise the intrinsic magnetic effect of ships so that they could pass unharmed over magnetic minas The Commission, I remember,

was somewhat surprised at the resistance shown by counsel for the Admiralty at the hearing to the joint claim by the inventors. However I well remember than the Admiralty's counsel's cross-examination of Sir Charles satispart of the last war. The iron in the hulls of all ships detonated the magnetic mines which were being regularly laid ground our coasts by the Germans. Goodeve rapidly built up a team of splendid innovators which included my old friend the late Robert Lochner. Under fied them that had it not been

MAJ-GEN DERMOTT DUNLOP

Major-General Dermott Dun-lop, CB-CBE, died on April 24, at the age of 81. He was born on November 3, 1898 and edu-dom and commanded the 2nd on november 3, 1698 and equidom and commanded the 2nd cated at Charteriouse and Sandhurst. He was commissioned into the Royal Artillery in 1916 and served in France 1951 and was a Member of the

pore District from 1948 to 1951 and was a Member of the Colony of Singapore Executive in 1916 and served in France 1951 and was a land Flanders with the Royal Colony of Singapore Executive Council.

He served at home and He was appointed CBE in abroad in various appointments between the wars. From 1940-41

be was a Brigade Commander Whitson. Scott. They had two



seed potatoes of different physiological ages to maintain maximum
yields throughout a harvesting
period. Between May and July
they require seed of at least
three, progressively younger,
physiological ages, the scientists
say. Those growing potatoes for
use as seeds should always indimize physiological age to en-

Growers therefore need to use

seed potatoes of different physic-

This demands a fine balance of qualities. There are mose who think them munually incompatible and who would advocate the election of a firmly right-wing president uninhibited in any way by feelings about his relations with the left. This view has not prevailed. Hence the election not of Signor Merzagora, a right-wing Christian Democrat, but of Signor Gronchi. His victory was achieved by those who believed that even in an anti-communist state the President should be as generally acceptable as possible. Signor Gronchi who has for seven years presided over the Chamber of Depunies is 67. He comes from Piss. He is a Christian Democrat

with interesting and colourful displays.

The only gold medal in the Lindley range awarded by the RHS has been won by Alan C. Smith, Keston, for his auperb display of sempervivams and jovibarbas. Their rosette formations of leaves in shades of reds and greens, always attract considerable attention.

The National Trust for Scotland, Brodick Castle Gardens, isle of Arran, have a most interesting display of 100 thododendron species, showing a wide range of flowers and foliage. Among some of, particular interest are R cephalanthum, a pale pink miniature, R glautophyllum 'Tubiform', shades of pink, R safurcant, yellow, R griffithlamum, white flushed pink, and R sine-grande, large pale yellow trusts. Different varieties of potato Different varieties of potato have their own optimum physiological age for growth in particular soils and climates. Once that age is known, it can be induced by keeping seed potatoes at the appropriate temperature to give the required number of day degrees before planting. Among other rhododendrous exhibited by the trade, noteworthy are R. racemosum, balls of small pluk and white flowers, 'Ightham Yellow', pink in bud, hime-yellow when open, 'Chevalier F de Sauvage', deep pink, 'Day Dream', red and salmon-pink, R impedinum' 'Pygmaeum', purple dwarf, 'Billy Budd', crimson, and the azalea' Favorite', cerise.

Daffodils and spring flowering Although at present few growers have facilities to control the temperature of their sprouting potatoes, scientists urge them to monitor conditions closely, and

particularly to avoid variations between different parts of their stores. If the temperature of storage is known, then it should be possible to predict effects such as that of the cold winter of 1978-79, which led to a late harvest.

Source: Physiological Age, A summary of Patato Marketing Board-sponsored research (1980).

O Nature-Times News Service

Requiem Mass Mr G. Sutherland, OM The Queen was represent Mir G. Sutherland, OM
The Queen was represented by
Lord Clark, OM, at a Mass of
thanksgiving for the life of Mr
Graham Sutherland, OM, concelebrated yesterday in Westminster Cathedral by the Right
Rev Gerald Mahon (also repremaning the Cardinal Archifshop of
Westminster) with Father lames
Ethrington. Mr John Ormond
gave an address and Miss Frances
Mason played Chaconne in D
Minor by Rach on the violin.
Among others present were:
Mrs Sutherland (brother). Mr and Mrs
L. S. ligman (brother)—the of
states, Mr and Mrs Nicholas Ingman,
Mrs Berry, Mr & Rerv and
Mrs
K. Berry and Mrs Nicholas Ingman,
Mr Berry and Mrs
K. Berry Lieut Good-Mr F. Berry. Mr S. Berry and Mrs K. Berry.
Lord and Lady Biffs. Lady Goodman, Lord and Lady Biffs. Lady Lidge
Hartwell, the Secretary of Saine ConWales and Mrs. Edwards. Lady Elizabrita. Longman, Lady of Nowhite.
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Francis and Lady Bed Lady Benyon.

Sir Robert and Lady Salmabury. Sir Edward Ford vegiting. Order of Sight, Sir James Richards, Miss Many Giles creptescepting the Minister for the Arts: Mr Henry Joseph Obl. Miss Andrey Trubedt, Mr Paul Drury, Dr. 1, 181. Professor and Mr. Marsion Hendon, Dr. Roy Strang, Mrs. John Drumond, Miss Broatwa Thomas, Mr Marsion Canada, Call. Professor and tra-Paul Wundertah. Dr Eric Fonky, Mr Putick Gorpiack. Mr representing House of Communical, Mr Jan. Mrs. Humphrey Brooke.

Mr Bobert Medley, Mr Patrick

Memorial service The Speaker read a lesson at the memorial service for the Rev Dr Maurice Barnett beld yesterday at the Methodist Central Hall, Westminister. · The Rev Dr Irvoney Morgan officiated. The Rev WH-

Morgan officiated. The Rev Wilhid Jones, Chairman of the South
West London District, Methodist
Conference, led the prayers and
the Rev Dr Kenneth Greet, Secretary, of the Methodist Conference
(representing the president) pronounced the blessing, Canon John
Baker also read a lesson and the
Rev Dr A. Skewington Wood and
the Rev J. Russell: Pope gave
addresses. The Bishop of London
was represented by the Bishop of
Willesden. The Dean of Westminster, the Deputy Mayor of
Westmanner and the Rev Barbara
Sufford attended. Miss Janet
Budden sang " If God be for us ",

THE TIMES **BUSINESS NEWS**

Atlas Copco compressed air systems A force made to serve you

Stock markets FT Index 436.7, up 4.6 FT Gilts 66.74, up 0.52

Sterling \$2.2700, down 1.45 Index 73.2, down 0.5

- Dollar Index 86.5, down 0.1
- Gold \$518.50, down \$7
- Money 3 mth sterling 171-171 3 mth Euro-\$ 14%-15%

- IN BRIEF

Delay on retailing **liscounts** eport

Action on discounts to stailers is unlikely before the ionopolies and Mergers Comlonopolies and Mergers Comission reports on discounting
plicies later this year, the
entil Consortium was told at
meeting with Mr John Nott,
pretary of State for Trade.
Mr Nott did not expect any
impany reference for investition would be made before
an by Mr Gordon Borrie,
irector General of Fair Tradg. He also indicated that the
ivernment was unlikely to
ing in legislation on the ing in legislation on the sired States pattern, which stricts the buying power of

ge distributors.

But if the Government is ged by the Monopolies Comston to take action on a ctoral basis, there will be ior consultations with the psortium. If there were action discounting policies under a new Competition Act, it wild have to be on an indiuld have to be on an indi-lual company basis.

ishore discovery

?hillips Petroleum, Ivory ast, Agip SPA, Petroci, the ional oil company of the ry Coast have announced an shore oil discovery near idjan in West Africa. Phillips troleum is the operating com-

agment reserved

he House of Lords has mved judgment on a final mpt by Lonrho to gain ass to documents relating to ged Rhodesian sanctions ting. Lourho claims the docuits are vital to its case in a lu-million pound legal battle inst 29 oil companies.

CD mandate ends landstory financing of large ted Kingdom export con-ts in foreign currency will longer be required by the cort Credits Guarantee pertment, Mr Cecil Perkin-the Trade Minister has told

5m Eurobond issue the Federal Business De-opment Bank of Canada is

sing \$75m (about £33m) ough the issue of a five-year, priced Eurobond offering e issue carries a coupon of : Per cent.

K broking link lowe and Pitment Inc., the

we and Pitman, the London European is to open an op in Boston, Massachusetts, May. It will be the first sidiary of a United Kingdom kerage house to do so.

35m pollution sad ocidental Petroleum has in Los Angeles it will rously oppose a \$635m

out £279m) suit filed against and its Hooker Chemicals by New York State over uping of chemical wastes in Love Canal.

wathon jobs saved fore than 700 jobs on Clyde-k were saved when a French I took over the Marathon building yard yesterday. on Industrielle d'Enterprise ted formal handover papers Marathon, which has been by a United States firm for

Mounting losses force Thorn EMI to abandon medical scanner market

By Bill Johnstone

Thorn EMI is withdrawing from the medical diagnostic scanners market which it made into a multimillion pound business less than 8 years ago.

The company is the latest casualty in the highly cocpetitive medical electronics field. Contraction has been particularly acute in the United States where government legislation curtailing excessive capital expenditure on medical equipment has made survival difficult.

The company said it recog-nized with the present state of the market, the medical busi-ness was unlikely to return to profitability. Heavy investment in development and engineer-ing would be needed to support

Profitability has dropped dramatically since 1972 when EMI, as it then was launched its scanner, a revolution in design and high technology. Over the next five years scanners were being used in sixty countries and had netted EMI £24m in profits.

But by the end of 1978 EMI's medical electronics group was medical electronics group was in desperate financial trouble.

sharp drop in

The First National Bank of

Chicago cut its prime landing rate to 181 per cent yesterday. On Monday Morgan Guaranty Trust and the National Bank of

Detroit brought their rates down to 18; per cent.

There is still room for fur-

ther falls in prime rates. So far American banks have kept the rates charged to their best

customers from falling nearly as fast as those on Treasury bills, or the key Fed funds rate.

There is now an unusually

There is now an unusually wide variation in the prime rates charged by large United States banks. This ranges from the 18½ per cent of Morgan Guaranty to 19 per cent of Chase Manhattan and 19½ per cent of Citibank.

As rates drop in the coming

weeks it is likely that primes

menin. One reason for the dis-

parity is the general uncer-tainty about the speed and precise timing of the interest

Most people have been sur-

pris ed by how soon United States rates started to fall back after racing to 20 per cent peaks very quickly this year.

The drop in interest rates, combined with worries about

move closer

By Our Economics Staff

Dollar weakened by

US interest rates

The American market, the most lucrative in the world, was seriously constrained by federal legislation preventing equipment purchases in excess of \$100,000 (£43,500).

In the 1978-79 financial year the group lost film and this year the loss so far is around f8m-10m.

Thorn-EMI says arrangem are being made tome et

Thorn EMI has made conditional arrangements with the medical systems business division of the American General Electric company to ensure continuing support by GE for EMI's medical electronics cus-

Under this agreement GE will service new EMI scanners in the American market and will also be responsible for sales and servicing outside North America. Also, Thorn EMI has agreed

conditionally to a settleemnt of its legal action against GE General Electric is to pay a royalty for a non-exclusive licence and will have access to certain assets of the EMI medi-cal electronics group, princi-pally spare parts inventories necessary to support the scan-

down a little further, despite

some American Central Bank

Two smaller banks moved

Two smaller parts their primes down to 181 per their primes down to 181 per

cent yesterday — the First National of St Louis, and the Boatmen's National Bank of St

West German bankers agree the German Federal Bank will

probably not raise leading Ger-

man interest rates when its central bank council meets to-

day.

There are no indications yet

from the Federal Bank that a

cut in discount from its current seven per cent is in the offing.

Money market sources said banks were pressing the Federal Bank to ease recurring liquidity shortages, preferably by a cut in minimum reserve require-

In Loudon the dollar rallies

from an early 1.7865 to 1.8045/

50 to the Deutsche Mark before

serving at 1.8015. This was a net gain on Monday's 1.7980

against the mark. Other Europeans: Sterling fell to 2.2700 (after reaching 2.2835), about \$\frac{1}{2}\$

cent down on its overnight level of 2.2835 in dollar terms,

while closing prices showed sterling was 0.5 off at 73.2 angingt a basket of currencies.

medical factory at Radlett, Hertfordshire, which it will use to manufacture GE medical electronic equipment and a limited range of products sold

Thorn EMI says arrangements are being made tome et outare being made tome et out-standing orders for its two latest models of scanner, the 7070 and the 6000. The com-pany will continue to support the manufacture of these pro-ducts, which the new arrangement with GE does not include.

These agreements should net Thorn-EMI \$37.5m. But they also mark the company's withdrawal from the general medical electronics market and will mean the end of the production of a device which brought the company so

much prestige. The inventor of the scanner, Mr Godfrey Hounsfield, was awarded 40 prizes from univer-sities and institutes throughout the world, the CBE, and the Nobel prize for technology for his work on his high techno-logical design.

Congress to take action on Hunt brothers

Washington, April 28.—Mr Nelson Bunker Hunt and his brother, Mr William Herbert Hunt, failed to answer a sub-poena issued by the sub-committee on commerce of the government operations commit-tee of the United States Congress over their silver trans-

Mr Roger Goldberg, attorney for the Hunt brothers, said the they were not being con-temptuous of Congress, but felt that they should not be "caught up in a competition for their testimony".

ment agencies were requesting that the Hunts should testify and they felt that an orderly process to deliver their testimonics should be worked out.

chairman of the subcommittee; said that a letter received ves terday and intended 44 a motion to quash the subpostas was an accept the letter as a motion and stated that falure to respond to the subpoens could be construed as contempt of

The subcommittee later voted 6—0 to ask the full House for a vote of contempt of Congress resolution against the

An esoteric dispute is simmer-

ing after the proposal to expel Antony Gibbs from the Accepting Houses Committee, an elite group of City merchant banks. Sir Philip de Zulueta, chairman of Antony Gibbs, whose impending takeover by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation led to the committee proposing expulsion, thought the decision would prove a retrograde step for the

By Andrew Goodrick-Clarke Financial Editor

An exchange of letters be-tweenMr John Baring, chairman of the AHC, and Sir Philip was published. Mr Barings's letter said: "With great regret we have come to the conclusion that in the event of the offer (from the Hongkong and. Shanghai) becoming unconditional Antony Gibbs would no longer be eligible for membership of the comittee. I am now writing formally to convey this

The committee's decision was based on a rule that its mem-bers, the leading 17 City mer-chant banks, have to be full members or under the control of full members of the British Bankers' Association. Hongkong and Shanghai is considered to

be a foreign bank and is not a ll member. Sir Philip refused to resign.

He argued that a crown colony bank should be considered British in this context. He had pointed our that the Hongkong and Shanghai was prepared to assure Gibbs of management independence after the take-

His letter to Mr Baring says: "Nturally I regret the com-mitte's decision but obviously I must accept it." Later he said that the com-mittee seemed to have taken the "rather parrow British view that any bank not owned

in London should not be a ember of the AHC". It is understood that the committee's proposed expulsion of Gibbs was based on the rule about being a full ember of the British Eankers' Association, but Mr Baring's letter gives no reasons for the decision other than that membership would cease when the Hongkong and Shanghai assumed control.

This may be explained by the committee having no written constitution, or any clear rules. The benefits of membership are increasingly unclear particularly sluce the special position of accepting houses has been overtaken by the statutory pro visions of the Banking Act and more recently Bank of England



Gibb's expulsion a 'retrograde step'

Sir Philip de Zulucta: Acceptnarrow British view.

proposals on bank liquidity requirements.

Accepting Houses, which at one time were uniquely able to have their bills rediscounted at the finest possible rates in the money market and who enjoyed a special relationship with the Bank of England, now have

exactly the same status as any recognized bank under the Act. Nevertheless, merchant banks ... want to be members, or, as in the case of Gibbs, will fight, hard to retain membership. Be longing to the AHC, apart from belonging to the best "cleb" available to merchant bankers, apparently confers a competitive advantage not available to others.

The Gibbs' affair is not the dend of the committee's dilemma on membership. It now has redeal with Singer & Friedlander, a subsidiary of insurance, brokers C. T. Bowring, which, has agreed to a takeover by the decreases increases brokers. American insurance brokers, ... Marsb & McLennan.

The AHC said yesterday that Singer would continue to be a member pending the outcime of any arrangements for the hank after the takener of Bowring. Marsh, in its ofter for Bowring, says that they both want Singer to continue as an AHC member. But Marsh seems to acknowledge that this would ha impossible under foreign ownership by saying that ways, of disposing of Singer (possibly to the present management of the bank) which would enable continued mem bership are being examined.

bership are being examined. Financial Editor, page 21.

CBI survey finds half of companies gloomier mill plan abandoned

Continuing pessimism among spending by now.

leaders of manufacturing industry is reflected in the larger try is reflected in the latest quarterly survey of trends pub-lished today by the Confedera-tion of British Industry.

Business confidence remains at a low ebb throughout manu-fecturing industry. Of the 1,843 companies in the survey, 47 per cent said they were less opti-mistic about general business prospects in their own indus-tries than they were four months ago.

months ago. The gloomiest predictions were in textiles, metal manufac-ture and food, drink and tobacco sectors. Declining op-timism was not so marked in electrical and mechanical enmemur

Commenting on the results, Sir Raymond Pennock, who be-comes president of the CBI on May 21 retterated industry's call for action by the Government "in the coming months" to re-duce public spending further and to lower interest rates. The latter were having a significant effect, perticularly on smaller companies, he said.

Industry was being hit by a combination of low damand, bigh interest rates, high wage settlements, bigh sterling exchange rates, and the con-tinuing effect of strikes and the lack of confidence they created. The CBI would continue to sup-port the Government's monetary policy, he said, but it was hoped there could have been more

underuse of capacity in industry had become more widespread than at any time since July 1976, with 70 per cent of com-panies working below capacity. A rising proportion (57 per cent) of companies reported below normal levels of order books and, for the fourth

books and, for the fourth successive quarterly survey, more companies reported a rise in stocks of finished goods than reported a decline. . More than half of those sur-

veyed suffered a deterioration in liquidity in the past year. As a result, 19 per cent said they were cutting stocks and 11 per cent, the highest since April, 1975, said they would reduce capital spending.

Scots gloom: An economic survey of 131 Scottish manu-facturing companies showed that the level of activity had continued to fall, according to CBI in Scotland. Davidson writes.

Mr Cherles Wallate, chair-man of the CBI Scottish industrial trends panel, said in Glasgow yesterday that he regarded it as one of the omiest economic forecasts for many years.

Exports prospects for Scotland appeared to be brighter than for the rest of the United Kingdom. These included chemicals and petroleum products as well as whisky.

£100m Scottish paper

By Edward Townsend By Edward Townsend
Plans to build a £100m newsprint mill on the site of Wiggins Teape's loss-making pulp
operation in the Scottish highlands have been abandoned
and 450 jobs will be lost.
Wiggins Teape, and its partner in the proposed venture,
Consolidated - Bathrurst of
Canada, said yesterday that
very detailed studies had shown
that newsprint could not be

manufactured competitively at the Fort William sie. The scheme, which aroused considerable increst in the United Kingdom industry when it was announced in February, could have meant a halt to the declining trend in British news-

print production.
Earlier, both Reed and
Bowater, the paper manufacturers, had turned down offers
of a stake in the project on
the grounds that it would not
achieve an adequate rate of achieve an adequate rate of

return.

A combination of fectors now has convinced Wiggins Teape and Consolidated-Bathurst that the scheme would not succeed. Among these has been a refu-sal by the Government to pro-vide more financial ald than the normal development area grants or to agree to subsidized power costs.

Mr Patrick Best, chairman of Wiggins Teape, said yesterday the amount of the grant offered by the Government came a long way short of expectation. One report has suggested the state aid was to be more than £20m, but Mr Beat declined to con-

firm the figure which he said was "a matter of commercial; confidence".

In February, the two companies said the project was despendent upon satisfactory negotiations on the price of weight and financial subsides.

Mr Best said : " Despite satisfactory discussions with employees on manning levels, failure to reach agreement ou. our expectations of wood cost bitter blow, because it means an unsuccessful end to all the efforts by both management and work force over the past year to find a future for the pulp Consolidated-Bathurst, one of

Canada's leading paper produ-cers, had hoped to achieve a more internationally competitive price for wood, which costs about twice as much in Britain. as in Canada. Newsprint prices tend to ba

based on the American dollar : and in the United Kingdom they are dependent upon the Sterling

Mr_Bill Turner, president of. the Canadian company, said: The business risks involved in the project have been increased by growing uncertainty over the future relationship between the pound and the dollar and we bad to be doubly certain that,, the other financial components: were at the right level ".

The Fort William operation is Britain's only integrated pulp ; and paper mill but the pulp side 's has been losing money at the

\$500m loan package to rescue US bank

Iran, have weakened the dollar Elsewhere, the yen strength-considerably. Yesterday ex-changes marked the dollar 241.10) against the dollar.)

Continued from page 1 more than \$900m in government securities and similar long-term fixed interest bonds, financed by short-term loans and depo-sits. The cost of financing these securities has spiralled with the recent increase in interest rates.

That problem became more acute in recent weeks as the Federal Reserve Board's credit squeeze forced interest rates even higher, culminating in the recent 20 per cent prime rate. The possibility of a recession in the next few months increased the threat of bad debts and added to the Bank's troubles. Mr Butler said that because Mr Butler said that because they were caused by high interest rates the bank's prob-lems were short term. The financing would enable the bank to keep afloat until interest rates returned to more interest rates returned to more normal levels and its bond portfolio matured.

Both Mr Butler and Mr Marathon, which has been a United States firm for eight years. No details deal have been released.

bank's loss of earnings, not from a deficiency of assets caused by bad loans. Mr Sprague also insists that

it is "an isolated case" and not the forerunner of more failures. He expects 10 to 12 banks will run into difficulties this year, which is about average. We don't project additional significant problems", he said.

Other sources in the United States feel that the difficulties in the banking system lie First Pennsylvania's problems

had been made worse by recent bad publicity which drew attention to the bank's difficulties and caused a loss confidence among depositors, Mr Butler said. A report that the FDIC auditors had recently spent a month in the bank, coupled with publicity that federal banking regulators were assembling an aid package for a major bank, had been parti-

cularly damaging. Financial Editor, page 21 to 113p.

Unigate bids £11.3m for Clifford's Dairies

By Ronald Pullen ing Board last year on expanding its liquid milk interests.

The group announced yesterday. It is takeover bid for Clifford's Dairies, the last remaining independent quoted dairy in the United Kingdom. The offer was quickly rejected by Mr Gordon Clifford, chairman of the Berkshire-based company, as "very unwelcome".

Unitate is offering one of its Unigate is offering one of its shares for each of the non voting "A" shares which make up more than four-fifths of Clifford's issued capital, and an extra 15p for each of the voting shares. There is a cash alternative of 105p for the hon voting and 120p for the voting shares, a premium of more than 40 per cent on the overnight price.

Clifford's ordinary shares

Unigate, the dairy products dition that the bid will only go and foods group, is planning to spend some of the £87m it drop its plans to reise £1.53m raised from the sale of its via a rights issue. Unigate creameries to the Milk Marketing Board last year on expanding its liquid milk interests. cash requirements and that it did not want to confuse share-

> If the bid is successful, it will improve Unigate's geographical spread in the Berkshire and Oxfordshire areas, boosting its mare of the United Kingdom liquid milk market by about 2 per cent to around 20 per cent. compared with the Cooperative Wholesale Society share of per-haps 30 per cent and Grand Metropolitan's 15 per cent.

Unigate at present holds 3.9 per cent of the ordinary shares in Clifford's and 5.1 per cent of the non voting shares. The directors of Clifford's control almost a quarter of the control amost a quarter of the voting shares, and yesterday claimed that they could count on family and friends for another third of the shares. Financial Editor, page 21

The Government's monetary

world markets. Sir Geoffrey said that the

Sir Geoffrey suggested that

Chancellor stresses need for lower pay settlements to help industry

targets are not competible with the high level of pay settle-ments over the last year, accord-ing to Sir Geoffrey Howa, ncellor of the Exchequer. He told the chamber of commerce et Milton Keynes yester day that lower wage settlements were essential if British industry was not to be priced out of

Government must not relax its monetary policy now. That had been the essence of a speech made recently by Mr John Biffen, Chief Secretary to thet

At the time Mr Biffen's con-troversial speech was interof the firm monetarist line bur Biffen had been much misunder-

the Government's monetarist beliefs and policies must be pursued with "relentless determinstion if they were to

or easy solution to Britain's economic problems and the Government must continue its policy through the life of this

attacked yesterday by Mr Nigel Lawson, Financial Secretary to the Treasury. He described as perhaps the ultimate lunacy in economic forecasting" the annual report of the Cambridge economic policy group.

These economists, headed by Mr Wynne Godley, are the main proponents of import controls for Britain.

Government's determination to stick to its strategy The Chancellor had pointed out that the medium term finan-cial strategy, published with the Budget, aimed to concentrate on what the Government could do rather than on trying to plan what others should do.

The Government could con-

Government critics were also policy.

Mr Lawson emphasized the

For the second time in two days, Sir Geoffrey appeared to express regret about the Clegg-comparability awards for public sector pay. He said yesterday that the Government had to pick up some postdated cheques from the last Government's pay Both Treasury ministers yes-terday rejected suggestions that

there was a workable alterna-tive economic policy. The Chancellor said that the old ideas of demand manage; ment had failed as recently as 1978-79 when a big boost to demand led to a sharp rise in imports rather than in home

He also rejected import controls, saying that they did not make sense for a nation which-exports a third of its output. Mr Lawson said that economics was about markets which by their nature could be neither. reliably predicted nor finely tuned. Economic "mumbo. tuned. Economic "mumbos, jumbo" such as that of Mrs. Wynne Godley should be paid. trol the scale of public spend-jumbo" such ing and the growth in the Wynne Godley money suppl yand it must do the less attention.

PRICE CHANGES Int Thomson 33p to 407p Man Agy Music 12p to 142p Tarmac 12p to 240p Ultramar 12p to 528p Wilson Bros 12p to 34p cer & Doban 24p to 164p ess Capel 14p to 117p rer Serv 24p to 252p don L Grp 5p to 55p Cont Gas 30p to 794p

Negretti & Zam 4p to 46p Petrocon 9p to 18p Serck 6p to 51p SA Land 16p to 274p Welkom 18p to 554p 8p to 93p 3p to 40p 18p to 456p 10p to 123p 15p to 330p THE POUND traile S tria Sch Jum Pr 1da S

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Just the job if you want to get a mortgage

If you want to get ahead and get a mortgage the Provincial Building Society, nimb largest in the country, recommends that you should become either a solicitor or self-employed. The Provincial has run a fine tooth comb over the 1,300 loans it granted in the lest quarter of 1979, and some interesting details have emerged about the jobs of mortgage applicants.

Not least is that building society friends, the solicitors and estate agents who place so much business for morrgages, do well when it comes to their own individual housing require-

The average advance given to solicitors was £23,310 compared with £16,020 lent to the next occupational caregory on the

list, doctors and demists.

with the 48 per cent advance to the professional classes in

Clifford's ordinary shares jumped 28p to 120p after the news and the "A" shares 21p to 101p, while Unigate eased 1p

benefit by receiving the biggest advance in relation to their incomes of all professional groups. Anyone who could buy a house between two and a half three times his income was lucky; estate agents and sur-veyors were buying houses at 4.2 times their income... Yet more evidence confirming the existence and growth of

the so-called black economy— broadly defined as income un-

declared to the Inland Revenue
—is provided by the section on
the self-employed.

In the last quarter of 1979 they bought the most expensive

It represented 76 per cent of houses, at an average purchase the purchase price compared price of £32,530 compared with the £32,440 paid by top management and professionals.

The self-employed also borrowed the smallest per-centages of the cost of the property. Advances averaged 38 per cent, much lower than the next recorded average advance of 46 per cent, offered to junior and middle manage-ment, and the top 64 per cent offered to those in the service

It can, of course, be argued that building societies tend to look upon the self-employed with a slightly more jaundiced eye; they require evidence of three years' accounts, the official version presented to the Inland Revenue, and cerely take into account future prospects.

explain entirely the greater independence of the selfemployed from societies.

And what conclusions can one draw from the self-employed, top management and professional groups having the strongest belief in the husband being the sole owner of the

Even if their wives do not contribute financially to the mortgage, are nearly 40 per cent of both categories such confirmed male chauvinists that they will not allow their wives a legal stake in the family home?

Margaret Stone

Bank union threatens action on longer opening hours

By David Felton The Banking, Insurance and Finance Union (BIFU) the main banking union has come out against any further exten-sion of opening hours and intructed the union's leadership to call for widespread indus-trial action if banks attempt to introduce late night open-

imposed by BIFU are bureaux de changes, cash dispensing macines and extensions of opening hours for specific vents agreed by the union

executive. BIFU's annual conference at Folkestone yesterday called for negotiations to start "immedstely to reduce the number of branches operating late night opening with a view to elimin-ating this practice entirely, and

night opening in other bran-ches will be opposed."

The executive was instructed to take the "strongest possible action —including a ballot for industrial action in areas and branches outside the geographical area of branches concerned -if the banks tried to introduce new opening extension's. This motion, from the union's Manchester branch, 1-13 heavily cut by the conference, which removed a section cons-suring the executive for its "complete disregard of union"

policy" and for not opposing, extensions in opening names.

The union which has 130,000 members, has accepted any future government incomes, policy, provided that principle profits and dividends were collectrolled, that it was equitable from

that it was part of a long to a economic policy. any extempt to introduce late economic policy.

Zimbabwe

nationalize

Fears the Zimbabwean mining industry may have had about nationalization by the govern-ment of Mr Robert Mugabe were

H esaid the government

policy was to encourage private

ownership of mines to generate incentive for expansion and in-creased production for more profits. This would in turn

Renerate more employment and improve the workers' salaries

The minister said, however, that while encouraging free enterprise in the mining indus-

try, the government expected

The minister commended the

Norway's oil outlook

Norway's annual offshore oil

revenues may reach between 50,000m and 100,000m crowns (£4,500m to £9,000m) by the

turs of the century. Mr Arne eyen, economic adviser to the minister of finance, told an oll seminar in slo.

Speaking in Paris Mr Taych Abdul-Karim, the Iraqi oli minoter, forecast a world petrol shortage, but said Iraq would increase its production according to world market demands.

Swedish deficit widens

The Swedish government says expects its 1980 trade deficit

Iraqi production

and working conditions.

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Maurice Nyamgumbo, . Minister of Mines.

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Hopes of agreement to end expensive disputes on big building sites

Smoothing the path of construction

Proposals for a national working agreement aimed at ending labour disruption, delays and soaring costs on large engineering construction sites are expected to be put before the trades unions soon.

An agreement covering basic pay and conditions is seen by the Government as crucial if long-running labour problems on large sites, such as power stations and petrochemical complexes, are to be over-

Poor performance on site has cost clients, including many in the public sec-tor, thousands of million of pounds, and was given as the reason for the Central Electricity Generating Board's decision to abandon work on the Isle of Grain power station after about £450m had been spent. Efforts to produce a national agreement were started after reports by the National Economic Development Office more than

10 years ago. Progress has been slow but events in the next few weeks should deter-mine whether the many hours of talking will succeed. Mr Norman Singleton, independent member of the provisional negotiating committee established by unions and employers, said yesterday that union re-

action was likely to determine the fate of the present proposals. There have been false dawns before. Progress, There have know, has been frustratingly slow but I believe we are approaching the crunch." The national agreement, actively supported by Mr James Prior, Secretary of State for Employment, would seek to remove many potential sources of dispute from local, haphazard bargaining.

In the past, disparities of pay and con-

ditions, both between sites and between

different groups of workers on the same site, have been a major cause of ill-feeling and frustration. It has led to leapfrogging pay settlements, and inter-union disputes, all of which have blighted performance

on CEGB power station sites.

Mr Singleton fears that the controversy over the isle of Grain, where work stopped after a long dispute involving only 27 laggers, may have exacerbated feelings. But he remains optimistic that an agree-ment can be reached and that it will go long way towards ending the anarchy that has developed on some sites.

The complexity of relations on site, where several contractors may be working at one time, is reflected by those off site, and this las consistently frustrated attempts to reach agreement.

Two employers organizations—the Oil and Chemical Plant Constructors Association and the Engineering Employers Federation—each with different traditions, structures, methods of organizing their-workforces and different pay settlement dates, have to be setisfied that their interests are well served.

Seven unions are involved, five of them for skilled workers and two general. Inter-union relations have never been easy and, if anything, have been complicated by the Isle of Grain dispute. This has raised the possibility that the nine-month strike by largers (members of the General and Municipal Workers Union) could be broken with the support of other unions. The largers' action has been conderned by both the electricians' union (EEPTU) and the Constructional Engineering Union and the Constructional Engineering Union. Any agreement struck between unions and emoloyers must be accepted by the industry's clients, who will have an

important role to play in ensuring that it

In the past clients have not escaped the past chents have not escaped criticism for having bought their way out of trouble and undermining existing agreements. Both public and private clients, who are loosely organized in an informal industry body have had to be consulted at each step along the tortuous path to an

Late last year a working party produced report settin goot basics such as the composition of a committee to administer composition of a committee to administer an agreement, its scope and various other procedural and disciplinary arrangements. Since then the employers' organizations have taken it back to their members, under the watchful eye of the Government. They made some amendments, it is understood, and the agreed report has been passed on to the clients for comment.

When it comes back, probably in the next few days, it will be put before the unions. Mr Singleton hopes that the "package" on offer ill not differ too greatly from the original report produced

Mr Singleton, and other members of his on a date for the start of a national agreement. So many target dates have come and gone, with employers, unions and clients locked in seemingly endless nego-

Many steep burles remain to be over-come. The whole question of pay must be brought wit in the agreement somehow. And on the question of scope of the agree went there is still the tricky problem of whether laggers should be included.

John Huxley

try, the government expected companies to step up training of Africans so that they could move into top engineering, technical and managerial posts. **NCL** links The minister commended the mining companies which had launched their own training schemes for Africans and increased their minimum wages. He mentioned in particular Rio Tinto and Lourho for their training schemes in two mines. These two and Anglo American are the main mining companies in Zimbabwe. with private carrier

By Michael Baily Transport Correspondent The state-owned National Carriers is moving into a partnership with one of the leading private shipping and forwarding agents, International Express.

National Carriers Limited (NCL), with a £113m turnover, 20,000 customers, 6,000 forries and 75 United Kingdom depots, will combine with International Express's £25m turnover and 20 worldwide outlets in a new International Carriers service which the two partners hope will produce a 10 per cent market growth in the first year

"We aim to offer a simple, speedy, door-to-door service at home and overseas which should appeal particularly to the small business which has hitherto hesitated to extend into the export market", Mr Brian Hayward, NCL's managing director and chairman of the new company (in which NCL will have a 51 per cent to reiden to 7,060m crowns NCL will have a 51 (about 1735m) from the Janustake), said yesterday a ary estimate of 4,500m crowns. stake), said yesterday at a press

Lever Bros gains 42 pc share of UK soap and detergent market

Lever Brothers, the United Kingdom subsidiary of Unilever, has increased its share of the soap and detergents market to a dominating 42 per cent and is also market leader in the three biggest growth. in the three biggest growth areas of low suds washing powders, fabric conditioners and liquid scourers.

Its after-tax yield on assets is now about 13 per cent on a current cost accounting basis. which is better than the average yield among Unilever

companies.

Mr Len Hardy, Lever Brochers' chairman, also said yesterday that the typical net margin before tax on products was 5.3 per cent of saies turnover. Lever Brothers, which in the next the best turnoveries in the past has been investigated by the Monopolies and Mergers Commission and by the Price Commission, has seen a reduction in margins in recent years, Mr Hardy said. The Monopolies Commission investigated the detergents in-

The two companies last year took 72 per cent of the soap and detergents market, Lever having increased its market share by 2 per cent over the previous

Mr Hardy commented: "Fifthen years ago we were in trouble but we have gone for market share because that is the key to volume, which is the cornerstone of profitability. But it is a fight on research and development and on improving production as well as on selling and advertising. The margins are low and the consumer has benefited.

Lever believes it is vital to have a number of market leaders in its brands portfolios and this it has achieved, particularly in the growth sectors Lever now claims 62 per cent dustry because of the domina-



Mr Les Hardy: volume the

of the low suds washing powder market—double the Procter & Gamble share—with 46 per cent of the fabric conditioner market and 54 per cent of the liquid

Collapse in orders for **US** rail wagons

New York; April 29.— Another sign of the slump in the American economy: railways are cancelling orders for new rolling stock. Delivery dates on wagons previously ordered are also being put back

ordered are also being put duck because the equipment will not be needed this year.

At least 10,000 wagons have been cancelled since October 1, according to the Association of American Railroads. At the beginning of March there were 110,000 goods wagons on order. 5 per cent fewer than a month earlier, and 14 per cent fewer than last October.

The collapse of orders, indus-try experts say, is caused by the slowing economy, reflecting in particular the car industry's roubles; the high cost of final cing new goods wagons; and an unusual temporary glut of rolling stock. The glut reflects a gradual release of 28,000 almost new wagoos on no the market by the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific Railroad, which is going out of business in the ext few weeks.

Mr Richard F. Rossi, of Mer-

Mr Richard r. Mossi, on ma-rill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, says: "The high cost of money and increasing lack of credit availability, combined with declining economic activity, will result in a 50 per cent plus decline in orders in 1980 from the 119,000 in 1979". Deliveries of new wagons this year he expects to drop to under 80,000 from more than 90,000

as the Archison, Topeks & Santa Fé Railway, are deferring delivery until 1981 of may of their previously-ordered of their previously-ordered wagons. For the Santa Fé, the deferral involves 820 units, costing \$44m.

Similarly, Southern Pacific

Transportation Co is putting off delivery until 1981 of some 700 wagons including 200 units for new car haulage valued at

By putting off deliveries, the railways save on financing costs and skirt the penalty clauses which would be put into efect by outright cancelation. Cancelaltion costs are a well-guarded secret, but customers have to pay for materials that were to be used to make the cars, plus their share of labour, engineering and overhead costs in partly completed orders. We are in the downswing in the historically cyclical cail-car building industry", says a spokesman for the Pullman-sandard division of Pullman-inc, a leading maker of rail-way wagons. Since January 1, orders for 900 wagons have been canceled from Pullman-Standard's backlog.

Several hundred have also

been deferred in delivery to 1981, when the company expects the industry will only deliver a total of 50,000 to 55,00 wagons, compared with under 90,000 in 1979.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Maintaining mineral owners' rights

Sir, The Mining Association of the United Kingdom has for many years striven for action to make it easier for mineral operators with the necessary to prove their rights when an financial and technical re-exploration licence was granted sources to obtain licences to explore possible mineral

As Sir Peter Kent and Sir Kingsley Dunham have pointed out in the letter which you published on April 22, great and often insuperable difficulties can arise where the owners of mineral rights cannor be found or where putative owners can-not establish their rights.

This association has propose that in such cases unineral operators should be able to apply to a Minerals Commission (ar other appropriate body) which could grant an explora-

rion linence giving an exclusive right to take a mining lease on standard terms with regard to rent and royalty if the exploration is successful. Those mineral owners who had not been able to prove their rights when an arrangement reduce domestic standard that the grant reduce domestic standard terms with regard to reduce the reduce to reduce the reduce the reduce the reduced that the reduced the reduced that the reduced would have six years to do so and having done so, would re-ceive from the Minerals Commission the dues that had been paid to it.

This procedure would enable mineral operators to explore in areas where ownership is complex or obscure without depriving the owners of their rights. Yours faithfully, L H, SNELLING,

Secretary,
...The Mining Association of the United Kingdom, 40 Holborn Viaduct,

PO telephone service

From Mr M. P. R. Hamer Sir, It is sad to see that, in its reply to its critics in the relecommunications feature of April 15, the Post Office has repeated the mistake of the previous week when it responded to the Monopolies Commission report in a some-what arrogant fashion. In this latest response the Post Office shows its attitudes to be very wide of the mark from the marketing-oriented approach which its senior management have been promising us for the

Although it is true that the PO allows licensed supply of some items of equipment tothe customer, the procedure for achieving this is long and bureaucratic and the result often comes too late to benefit the key business users, particularly when an attempt is made to initiate it from a local telephone area level. (More sophisticated users know that sophistreated users know that they have to go straight to PO headquarters to make any progress.) And in any case, the PO has generally refused to allow the use of products which directly compete with its own, even when there are ourrageously long delays in getting hold of the PO items.

This is particularly the case with small PABXs, where delays of at least a year are normal. This has had a crippling effect on many businesses. A similar situation businesses. A similar situation munity on a day-to-day basis, exists with regard to certain the Post Office has no right to key products needed for data communication and this, too, has been very damaging to many businesses, particularly, those on whom the future of this country would seem to

The most errogent part of the PO response was the suggestion that business customers London SEL

who moan about not getting
the services and products they
want are not able to specify
what it is they want when
pressed to do so. Most business
users in fact find that the socalled sales offices of the PO
are incapable of understanding even simple requests for services. In some cases they flatly deny the existence of services or products that have been available for many months,

The details of the require: ments of some of the more sophisticated business users would be quite beyond the scope of the typical PO "salesperson". If we are to believe the PO's promises of a proper marketing approach we are surely reasonable in expecting better than this. As any semularly commercial organic petter than this. As any genuinely commercial organization would tell the Post Office, it is normal for the customer to know that he wants something but not know in precise dentil what will best satisfy his needs. It is the job of the satemers or of find out. of the salesperson to find out which of the available products will best suit the customer's needs and persuade him to buy that product.
We know that the Post

Office is contemplating various reforms that will go some way to dealing with some of its inadequacies as seen by busi-ness customers. However, until these reforms have been put into effect and have directly impacted the business cor respond to valid and well-in-formed criticism in such an artogent manner. M. P. R. HAMER, Committee Member Telecommunications Users

Weight of annual reports

the weight of various annual reports (April 23) could be misleading since the weights he quotes exclude the weights of the envelopes. Our recent reports have been dispatched in plactic covers which are not

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only cheaper than conventional Sir, Mr M. P. Simons' letter on envelopes but, because they the weight of various annual are far lighter, save postage. STEPHEN GIBBS, Chairman

Interest rates and

can cope with upward pressure on the exchange rate without putting its money supply tar-gets as risk ".

The thought here seems to be that the lower is domestic credit expansion, the higher is the permissible foreign exchange intervention to hold the pound down while still remaining within a given money supply

target.
In an arithmetical sense this is correct, although difficult to reconcile with your observa-tions three paragraphs earlier that intervention "can only deal with very short term pres-sures" and "risks generating Fer more liquidity which will further fuel international infla-

In a casual sense, however, who mean about not getting it is a total confusion.

the services and products they want are not able to specify what it is they want when to reduce the rate of money supply growth, and the fewer pounds there are, the higher will be their price in terms of other currencies. It follows that the more rigorously domestic credit expansion is restricted, the higher will be the exchange rate: Intervention may mitigate exchange rate appreciation, but only be increasing the quantity of pounds (ie the money supply)

make borrowing more expensive, and curb credit growth to companies and individuals.

The result was that interest rates in Britain became arretive compared to those else-where and ware largely respon-sible for the revaluation of sterling. But it would have been untenable for the Bank to have set interest rates. which simultaneously restricted domestic credit expansion and depressed the exchange rate. It might be desirable and beneficial if, as your leader suggests, "the level of interest rates required on domestic grounds "could be the same as "those required for foreign exchange grounds". The only drawback to this proposed combination is that it is quite im-

practical. If The Times wants to lower the exchange rate, there is a simple way out of the logical

tangles.

Rublic spending and the Budget deficit should be increased and money supply growth accelerated. Better still, the Changellor of the Enthe Chancellor of the Ex-chequer should state these

objectives frankly and in public.

The announcement of these policies would cause the pound to drop precipitously, perhaps by 10 per coat in a day. Does The Times really favour such TIM CONGDON. Winchester House,

Industrial investment and employment

industrial investment, thereby preventing attempts to increase employment opportunities. The French astional plan

financial institutions surely are from its oil revenues which are The Flat, well able to exercise judge estimated to reach a figure of 1 Whitehall Pl ment in implementing such a £15,000m per annum by 1985.

London. SW1.

policy. If interest rates could R is fairly reasonable to April 15.

From Mr Lawrence W. Robson
Sir, There must be many influential citizens who support
the closely reasoned arguments
contained in Sir Brian Hopkin's article in The Times
today (April 15).

There can be no question
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provides arrangements for under a policy of monetary selective rates of interest on restraint, but the cost of hold-loans to the farming coming these deposits is a very munity, and industry, where it heavy price to pay, particularly can be shown that such loans at prevailing interest rates munity, and industry, where it heavy price to pay, particularly fertilizers and oil, these committees that such loans at prevailing interest rates bined costs increases will bined costs increases will be determined by the same time ket. Until comparatively generate employment opportunities. The rates on farming actually charged overseas banks to the rates on farming actually charged overseas submit that an early and substantial reduction in interest stantial reduction in interest rates low as 4 per cent and the instance of the rates of their safe keeping. The strength of sterling in world investment and employment markets is doubtless in some measure due to the Govern-The joint stock banks and ment's substantial expectation

depositors.

The absorption of these and its current indebtedness to deposits are largely neutralized the joint stock banks amounts within the banking system to no less than £2,500m. Coupled with the recent 24 per cent wage increase and stead-

in the battle against inflation.
LAWRENCE W. ROBSON,

State support for agriculture

From Mr Aridy Thompson Sir, Mrs Elspeth Forbes-Robertson (April 15) claims

membership: In fact her figures which are from the latest Public Expenditure White Paper, show no such thing. They are for expenditure on "agriculture, fisheries, food and forestry". Of the £1,540m reduction, over £1,000m was accounted for by the phasing out of retail food subsidies. These were in-troduced in 1974 as an antiinflationary measure; and were phased out in the public expenditure cuts of 1976 to 1978. The subsidies had nothing to do with EEC membership, except that the growbership, except that the growing burden of EEC import levies on British food prices over that period must have made it politically more diffi-

To get a true comparison, one could compare 1979/80 with 1971/72, which was the last full year before our EEC entry and was also before

Robertson (April 15) claims which translates to about that government expenditure £1,175m at 1979 survey prices. in support of agriculture has fallen by £1,540m a year since fallen by £1,540m a year since shows a saving (arguably 1974-75 as a result of EEC membership in fact her figures only about £230m. Of course it farm prices at the inflated CAP levels through deficiency payments—to which your correspondent's figure of £1,250m would seem to refer. But the cost would be greatly reduced if prices were brought

were outside the EEC should states. The United Kingdom's not be compared with the share of it represents about 10 present £1,000m annual loss on per cent of the current yield the tended compare 1979/80 amount has to be met in this percentage would rise last full year before our EEC amount of the extra cost to the balance of ANDY THOMPSON, retail food subsidies were inpayments of importing con- 76 Vassail Road, troduced. In 1971/72 public timental food which could be London SW9.

expenditure on the agricultural bought much more cheaply. and allied programmes totalled from elsewhere.

E845m at 1976 survey prices, It is of course absurd for which translates to about Mrs Forbes-Robertson to f1,175m at 1979 survey prices describe EEC import levies as So the corresponding expend- a subsidy to Commonwealth investigation of 5944m in 1979/80 courses like New Years and the Ne

countries like New Zealand. shows a saving (arguably The prices we pay to them, not attributable to the CAP) of of levies, approximate to free only about £230m. Of course it market prices available bewould cost much more than this tween willing buyers and to maintain United Kingdom sellers anywhere in the world. while the levies increase these to the wholly artificial CAP levels.

Finally, your correspondent is wrong in her assumption that we could reduce our VAT contribution to the down nearer to world market levels. While cereal growers' returns would be adversely affected, those of livestock farmers need not necessarily be so since their feed costs would be reduced.

In any event, the true cost of agricultural support if we were outside the EEC should not he compared with he share of it represents about 10.



BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

The rescue of First Penn

American banks have been badly hurt by ligh interest rates. The \$500m rescue peration for First Pennsylvania arranged the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporaion—the statutory body for the protection f depositors—and a group of 22 commercial anks led by Citibank, show the potential eriousness of the situation. The rescue will vert the inevitable panic on money markets nat would have followed a major failure.

The authorities in fact acted because of orries about similar problems with other nancial institutions and presumably with te sort of problems which have arisen in e silver market recently very much in ind. First Penn is no toddler, and it would ave been a major casualty.

It is the country 23rd largest bank with a ilance sheet total of some \$8,500m and archolders' funds in the last balance eet of \$350m. It operates some 69 banking anches some involved in banking and hers involved in such financial fields such consumer finance, leasing and mortgages, problems point to the wider implications r the whole system.

Most banks and finance institutions have ffered from high interest rates because iny guessed wrongly how rates would go. is is not altogether surprising when even enry Kaufmann, the guru of the American nd business, did not expect prime rates to mb above 16 to 17 per cent.

As with other institutions First Penn made mistake of lending too long and borrowtoo short. In other wrds it mismatched assets and liabilities, the kind of thing Bank of England's paper on liquidity is king to avoid for example. In addition it o took on too much bnd business and intually ran into a cash crisis.

to one can tell at this stage how wide ging the problem is. It is clear from first uter results that many other banks got ir interest rates calculations wrong-even lbank reported earnings down by a third.
ically, up to recently American banks did
need to face high rates and high infla1 and have yet to adjust to this.

me stumbling block has been the welter state laws which prevent market forces operate fully on banking because of ry and other laws.

ast month Congress passed, overriding slation allowing for higher rates and it abolished the regulation Q which limiinterest paid to depositors. More and e the United States system is beginning esemble our own.

ast week, when I wrote about a sold ked Eurobond. I suggested it was a pity e was no oil backed bond. Intermex, Mexican International Bank, now inns me that Mexico has been issuing such is for the past three years and that the issue is to be redeemed this week at

re idea is spreading, Semirara Coal voration, based in the Philippines plans mestic issue of 16 per cent convertible erence shares which after four years be converted into . . . 33 tons of coal.

rough the

he space of a year Tarmac's new top agement team seems to have closed a ibility gap which at one stage looked tearing the group apart at the seams. ofits up 43 per cent at £38m are fully above best market expectations, the mce sheet looks strong enough to ch rights issue rumours, and the switch Wr Edwin Wright from "interim" to nament chairman seems to underline the ef that management turmoil is now a

he prime beneficiary of new tighter ncial controls has been building pros where a 7 per cent sales improvement been turned into profits more than iled at £10m, helped by a good year on refinery side and loss elimination in

it at the same time quarry products lifted volume marginally and profits 5 per cent to £22m in fairly difficult itions, while the international division seen a £2m swing into the black for 18 of £1.3m. Here withdrawal from ria underlines the speed with which Tarmac has moved to reverse the policy which took the group almost disastrously into overseas markets at the tail-end of the construction boom,

The policy now is to stick to cautious development and hold overseas exposure to under 10 per cent of the total.

There are still problems: construction profits dived from £3.5m to £1m, mainly as result of public sector housing losses an area from which Tormac has now withdrawn after joining McAlpine in slating dilatory authorities over payment.

The group is however surprisingly relaxed about private housing after a year in which profits rose 55 per cent to £9.7m despite a sticky third quarter. With a two-year land bank the group plans to put on volume this year and hopes that the mortgage picture will brighten.

Given the generally dull outlook, a fully-taxed p.'e of 7.3 and yield of 8.2 per cent looks about right, especially as the shares up 12p to 240p yesterday bave already had a good run.

But Tarmac may not have to tighten the screws much to lift profits more than 10 per cent this year and a balance sheet showing debts of £35m representing only 28 per cent of shareholders funds could justify further support given the right market

Unigate (Clifford's)

Spending its cash

By adding the rider that it will only go head with its £11.3m bid if Clifford's Dairies drops its plans for a rights issue, Unigate seems to be offering this fiercely independent family-controlled group a ready-made line of defence. Certainly Clifford's lost no time yesterday in making it perfectly clear that it had no intention of abandoning its rights plans and did not welcome Unigate as a suitor. And there the matter rests until next week's extraordinary general meeting to approve the increase in the authorized share capital.

As one of that rapidly dwindling band of companies with a non-voting share structure, Clifford's is a tough nut to crack. With the directors speaking for around 24 per cent of the voters and able to count on the support of family and friends controlling perhaps a further 35 per cent. Unigate will have to play heavily on the Clifford's board's responsibilities to the other 2,000 or so nonvoting shareholders.

No doubt the terms of the offer have been pitched in this light with a 40 per cent premium on the overnight price and around a fifth better than net asset value although an exit p/e ratio of 10 fully-taxed is less generous in the light of its good profits record. And Unigate is arguing strongly that the recent rights announcement points to difficulties in financing the development of business, though again the latest balance sheet shows no particular gearing difficulties.

For Unigate the bid is small beer, though will improve its geographical spread in liquid milk and there should be some distribution economies for dairy products. What the City, however, is really looking for is more tangible signs that Unigate will invest wisely the £87m it raised from the sale of its creameries to the Milk Marketing Board.

 March and McLennan has finally managed to get its bid terms before shareholders fourand-a-half months after the initial approach. Foreign exchange and Wall Street gyrations may yet cause some headaches for the Americans but at current rates the bid value is 1671p a share and looks assured of

Given that Bowring shareholders will also keep a 4.53p net dividend the group's share price of 153p could provide a little scope for professional dealers. However, the London market is not yet completely convinced that the terms will not be weakened by a further fall in the Marsh share price.

Marsh has reiterated its intention to sell off Singer & Friedlander, probably in a deal involving the present management, if as seems certain its accepting house status is threatened. But it has promised that hiving off moves will stop at Singer. All that is left is for Marsh to secure a London quote and the Americans will have truly arrived. And Lloyd's and the London insurance market will never be quite the same again.

The squabble between Sir Hugh The squabble between Sir Hugh Fraser, chairman of the House of Fraser, and Lourho Chief Executive Mr Roland "Tiny" Rowland is essentially a faundy afair—but with millions of pounds and the hallowed name of Harrods hanging in the bal-

When Sir Hugh rises at the Honse of Fraser yearly meeting on June 19 to ask shareholder to confirm his recommended to confirm his recommended final dividend of 4p net, he will in effect be standing up for the right to run his own company, a company his father built, his mother wants to keep and which he, for one reason or another, has let slip through his

The House of Fraser chairman will come face to face with an adversary clutching nearly a third of Fraser share certificates who has already tabled a resolution to increase the Fraser dividend from 4p to 6p and who has made it very clear that he intends at some stage to take control of Sir Hugh's

Sir Hugh is not regarded in the City as a man of single-minded determination.

That part of his character, it is said, was ably demonstrated at the Londho annual meeting in March when he was expected to saide with Kuwaici share-holders against the Lonrho board in a dispute over authorized share capital. At almost the last minute he disclosed that the proxy votes he held would go with Mr Rowland and the board. the Londho annual meeting

But behind him at his own annual meeting will be the memory of his strong-minded father and a stout-hearted mother who, without one single mother who, without one single public announcement, may well tament the day Sir Hugh sold a slice of the family investment vehicle, Scottish and Universal Investment Trust to Mr Rowland enabling him to gain a foothold for the successful bid for SUITS which he launched last year.

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Philip Robinson

Why Mr Rowland and Sir Hugh fell out



Sir Hogh Fraser (right) : fighting for his birthright with Mr Rowland.

is effectively the last remains of the family empire. He said yesterday: "I don't

want Mr Rowland to bid for the House of Fraser ".

House of Fraser".

Anticipating that this could be the moment for Mr Rowland to launch the bid awaited for some time by the City, Sir Hugh now plans a property revaluation in an attempt to make his stores group too expensive for the highly-borrowed Lourho. Sir Hugh has also threatened to sell his 3.5 million Lourho shares which he says "would do

A hint of his mother's influence came earlier this week to sell his 3.5 million Lonrho worst investment I have made".

Sir Hugh has also threatened to sell his 3.5 million Lonrho worst investment I have made".

Mr Rowland also made it known on Mooday that he and Lonrho to gain control of what price of the international trad-

ing giant has always been a sensitive point with Mr Rowland, who yearns for City acceptance and with it the support of the major institutional

The Fraser threat apparently touched a nerve. Mr Rowland retorted on Monday: "That an irresponsible statement. Sir Hugh Fraser is a charming man but a professional loser".

Sir Hugh said yesterday: The Lonrho shares are the

dent of 7.35p six weeks ago. Sir Hugh said last night: "We did have a discussion on the divi-dend and I said that it had to be twice covered. At 4p we are more than 'twice covered. At 7.35p we are not ".

Both men are at pains to point out that the argument over the dividend is not a clash between personalities, but their words might seem to suggest

Sir Hugh said yesterday: Mr Rowland seems to forget that the House of Fraser is run by a board of directors and not by one man, which seems to be

Hugh is believed to be canvassing the idstitutional shareholders in an attempt to outvote Mr Rowland's 29.5 per cent stake. If he succeeds this could well be interpreted as a sign of confidence in the present board and give Mr Rowland an indication that any formal takeover bid would have difficulty in an interpretances.

gaining acceptances.

Sir Hugh declined to comment

sir Hugh declined to comment yesterday.

Sir Hugh has guided the Scottish-based group from £19m to £40.7m, profits in four yests, although last year pre-tax earnings dipped to £37m. Mr Rowland knows how to earn profits, too. In the past five years he a has taken Lourho's profits from £63m to over £94m.

E63m to over £94m.

The two are very different amen. Mr Rowland built his empire from virtually nothing. He is married, with a family, and is still manages in his early 60s to retain details of the most come plicated deals in his head.

Sir Hugh's fortune came from an inheritance. The empire which ranged from SUITs and which ranged from SUIIs and Fraser stores to newspapers and whisky was handed down from his father the late Lord Fraser of Allander when Sir Hugh was 30 in 1966. Ever since then he has regularly been in the headlines.

One of his chief pastimes was gambling. It was losses on his favourite sport that led to 2

favourite sport that led to a series of controversial share deals which brought him further notoriety as a playboy businessman and severe criticism from the City authorities.

In 1978 Sir Hugh and three of his business associates were fined a total of £885 at Glasgow Sheriff's Court for offences under the Companies Act. In' November of that year Sir Hugh dropped appeals against the convictions, which arose from a £4m "accounting error" in the group's 1975;

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In his ways as a high roller.

Sir Hugh was described by friends as one of the last great.

British gamblers. His game was roulette and his lucky number was 32.

by a board of directors and not In percentage terms, his by one man, which seems to be the case at Lonrho".

As an outflanking move, Sir to rule the House of Fraser.

Lessons from Three Mile Island

The disaster at the nuclear plant at Three-Mile Island is likely to cost \$500m to put right. But no member of the public nor of the operating staff was killed, nor were they subjected to rediction in excess of statutory limits. It has been called a miracle that the disaster was contained in this way. In fact, in spite of a series of malfunctions of equipment and operator errors, it was through a concept of defence in depth, and not a miracle, that the worst was avoided. This approach to safety was inherent in the design of the plant, which embodied a series of overlapping safety operations that functioned one efter the other, coming into action as

In one chemical plant overseas a high temperature alarm
went unnoticed. An extra trip
device was poorly aited and
this, too, did not trigger off the
necessary operator action. Eventuelly an explosion blew out
one of the retaining walls: but
fortunately it was a "soft"
wall, specially designed to be
the first to go, which directed
the blast away from the plant
to a wasteland area kept as a
"cordon sanitaire" to avoid
casualties. In one chemical plant over-

casualties.

The cause of the overbeating was discovered to be failure of the agitator in the chemical reactor and, from then on, apart from re-siting the temapart from re-siting the temperature signals in a more obvious position, a "loss of agitation" detector was fitted. The detector was directed and designed to go into action if the pneumatic system failed. There are lessons in these examples for industry at large, for such an approach to safety

for such an approach to safety planning should be applied in many industrial plants. An information and advisory ser-vice on safety is provided by the UKAEA Safety and Reliability Directorate, through its industry-wide international

Ghidini, a professor of law at Modena University, is fighting

back. It is urging small savers to form themselves into account-sharing clubs. The

groups shop around among the banks for the best interest rate available and then open a

single account with a series of

books, one for each mem-

The investors thus all benefit

Dustin Hoffman may have won an Oscar for Kramer vs Kramer, but that cuts no ice with our National Theatre. He

with our National Theatre. He turned up too late to collect his ticket for David Storey's Early

Days the other night and had to

Safety and Reliability Service (SRS).

Mr John Bourne, manager of the Reliability Technology Re-search Unit explains that the approach to reliability of plant operation is becoming more and more scientific and sophisti-

He says it is possible to identify the areas of a plant or a system that present the greatest risk, and then to calculate mathematically the possible incidence of breakdown or failure. It is then possible to define the cost of bringing the risk down to a level that is risk down to a level that is regarded as acceptable.

has carried out on individual plants and systems for outside clients, ir has sometimes found that some areas of risk are left too vulnerable, while others are over-protected, and the invest-ment is wasted.

"Basically", Mr Bourne points out, "It is a question of redundancy or diversity of pre-cautions. Two sets of braces for your trousers could be called redundancy, as they might both suffer from identical design faults that could cause simultaneous failure under the same circumstances. Beit and braces would be diversity of protection, one support coming into effect if the other failed."

Several monitoring systems for, say, temperature, pressure and steam volume are not much protection if they all depend upon a common source of power. There was one notorious example where all the mains supply cables for a plant had to cross a nearby canal and were at the mercy of the thoughtless captain who forgot to lower his ship's mast. In another industrial plant, all pro-tection was lost when a fork lift truck driver neglected to lower his load when passing beneath a very vulnerable bunch of cables slung across an arch-

For several years now, the

One company so far un-affected by the storm surround-

SRS has collected a mass of data on the reliability of every conceivable type of plant component, sub-assembly and control system, so that the chances of failure, and of a sequence of failures, can be quantitatively calculated. Also collated are cases of disaster, and damage, so that installations can be conso that installations can be compared with those that went wrong in similar circumstances.

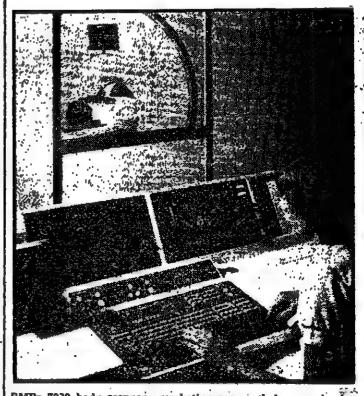
"Sometimes", says the SRS team, "a company imagines it has a fail-safe precaution but we have found fallacies in the logic behind it too numerous to mention in detail. A common mistake is to ignore the manufacture of the same of the sam facturer's own specification of error or delay in the action a component, so that, with a whole series of components, the total capability of the system has a cumulative error that makes it very likely that the plant cannot be shut down as speedily as a crisis situation demands."

Additional safety precautions may not in fact improve the overall reliability of the plant at all. At one plant, where interruption of the cooling water flow would cause im-mense financial losses, two sets of precautions had been taken. There were stand-by pumps, but they were of identical design and manufacture to the main pumps—so that they could con-ceivably all be subject to simul-taneous failure

For extra security, the board of directors had insisted on having a gravity feed water tower constructed. The SRS engineers pointed out that if the pumps failed, for any one of various reasons (including shortage of fuel), the water tower could only provide water for a very limited time—insufficient time in which to get the pumps working again. So the tower made hardly any difference to the risk calculations, and represented maney down the drain.

Sydney Paulden

EMI scanner: invention that proved too expensive



BMPs 7020 body scanner; marketing success led to production

Thora-EMI's decision to withdraw from the medical electronics business underlines yet again the bitter lesson that a world lead in new technology can be very expensive. There is no natural law that says a genuine breakthrough in technology will automatically result in profitable business-quite the reverse, many would argue. But the Thorn-EMI decision

is not just a simple example of the oft-quoted British propensity to couple brilliant invention with poor marketing. The inventive brilliance was there, sure

enough, in the original and developed versions of the brain and body scanners devised by Mr Geoffrey Hounsfield.

In attacking the North American market, the prime market for such systems, EMT could be faulted for going it alone instead of linking with an established American company. But the marketing of its later systems was in a sense too successful—the failure was a failure to produce in time the numbers of scanners that had been ordered.

Kenneth Owen

Business Diary: Fortune and men's ayes • Cheques and balances

departure of Robert Ab-at 50 from the chairman-of First National Bank of

Who joined First Chicago only last September.

By this time the bank was go is only the latest of He exodus that began with rrival of Abboud himself top job five years ago. boud featured in an article The Ten Toughest Boases" business magazine For-

only last week. The piece be was known as "Idi" and was so tough on that 200 managers quit g his chairmanship. t Chicago, the United seventh biggest bank, only that "management ences" lay behind Absening My bunch is that differences would be with vice-chairman, Harveyick, a senior partner of ntants Arthur Andersen



Chicago's Robert Abboud:

preparing to publish results that showed profits down £16m on 1978, although assets were up by a quarter to \$30,000m.
Abboud, who joined the bank from the marines over 20 years ato "likes to make decisions solo", according to Fortune, and that is unlikely to please

an Andersen man.
Abboud is staying on until a successor is found. The bank is looking at both insiders and outsiders for the job, as well they might, for again to quote they might, for again to quote Fortune on First Chicago "when a company gets a reputation for high turnover it becomes doubly hard to attract called them." capable replacement".
Could it be as the magazine

noted, that a "a tough boss can attract and keep quality managers only as long as his methods keep making them

if nothing else. President Carter's fiasco in Iran has helped along the entry into films of Guinness the brewers. Part of the ill-fated rescue operation was launched from the USS Nimits, a nuclear agreeast carrier which has a five-acre flight deck and can stay at sea for 13 years without refuelling. The Nimitz is also the setting for a film, The Final Countdown, which Guinness he ned to finance through a production company it acquired in Los Angeles last year. The film which stars Kirk Douglas, opens in London on May 22.



"I wish you'd remember, Horsfall, that we are members of the EEC and no longer call foreigners what you've just

The Red Brigades are not The Red Brigades are not the only people worrying the Italian banks. Private deposi-Italian banks. Fivete depositors have long had to put up with a shortage of cash at the banks only to find now that most of them have been paying too little interest on depositors, accounts.

According to an inter-bank agreement in Italy banks are normally bound to pay an interest of 4.25 per cent on balances of less than 3 million lire and higher rates on bigger balances. But the Italian con-sumer organization, CDC, has discovered that these rates are rarely respected in practice. Many customers have been receiving interest rates of half

a per cent. The CDC, led by Giuseppe

ing international trade with Iran is the world's biggest ment grader, Thomas Borth-While most companies are concurning themselves over lost contracts Dr Bill Bullen, Borthwick's chairman, can afford a very smile in his Smith-field office. His company is handling the management contract for ship-ping 62,000 tonnes of New Zealand lamb to the mutton-loving Iranians. The contract was negotiated last year and

represents about 18 per cent of New Zealand's total lamb out-put, all of which used to come to England. Dr Bullen says: "We are totally unaffected by the Iranian situation at the moment. We negotiated the contract last year and were very privileged to be asked to manage the shipments of what is mainly New Zealand meat."

Although no figures have been mentioned, the contribu-tion to Borthwick profits is not value the prestige attached to the deal. Why doesn't Borthwick try some of its charm on the French?

William Harris, formerly chief executive and now deputy chairman of the Phoenix Group, this week presided over the first livery dinner of the Worshipful Company of Insurers, newest of the City's livery

ompanies. It comes 92nd in the line of

livery companies, which is headed by the Mercers. The Grant of Livery was received last . September . and early recruits included such leading figures as Sir Francis Sandilands and former Lloyd's chairman Sir Havelock Ellis.

The Chartered Surveyors, Chartered Accountants, Chartered Secretaries and the Company of Actuaries have also recently formed livery companies and have thus joined those who can appoint the Lord Mayor and Sheriffs of London.

The Company of Insurers, whose colours are pale blue and gold, has just managed to new wall chart of The Guilds and Livery Companies of the City of London published by Heraldic Heritage this week

Reckitt & Colman has come up with a new twist on the shareholders' perks front. The households goods group is so keen for shareholders to come to the annual meeting in London that it is tempting them with a 30 per cent reduction on their British Rail fare (first or second class). Those who come will also be fortified with a glass of wine-surely a case of leading the horse to water and getting it to drink.

Ross Davies

LAMBERT HOWARTH

REASONABLY SATISFACTORY RESULTS

Results for year ended 31st December Turnover 14,110 645 Profit before Taxation Profit after Taxation 318 3,616 Net Assets employed Issued Capital Per 20p Ordinary Share: Earnings 12.6p Extracts from the Statement by

Mr. C. L. Howarth, Chairman Production levels and profit margins continue to be restricted, on the one hand by an influx of low priced footwear of foreign manufacture, and on the other by increasing production costs resulting from constantly rising raw material costs. In the face of these problems we feel our results can be considered reasonably satisfactory.

The Future

Orders are coming in reasonably well and whilst it is too early to make any accurate forecast we have every expectation of being able to reach a production level at least equal to that achieved during 1979. Foreign competition is still a cause for concern and we are hoping that Government action may eventually help us in this respect.

The Group is a substantial supplier of footucar to Marks & Spencer Limited and also to leading wholesale and multiple chains throughout the country and prominent mail order groups. chans throughout the country and prominent mail order groups. Part of its production is sold through wholesalers under the registered trade mark "Osbornia" and a significant portion of slipper production carries the "Gannex" brand for which the Group has sole distribution rights.

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De Beers has maintained its position as leader of the diamond industry but it is today much more than a diamond mining company

Extracts from Mr H F Oppenheimer's

The year 1979 was in some respects a difficult one for the diamond trade and the Company's results were, in the circumstances, very sanstactory. The Group's net attributable profit at R742 million was virtually the same as in 1978. The composition of the profit was, however markedly different in that the diamond account at R831 million showed a reduction of R125 million as compared with 1978, whereas interest and dividend revenue at 1812 million as compared with R234 million showed an increase of R78 million and tax and lease payments to the State at R355 million were R50 million lower partly as a result of higher capital expenditure. The reduction in the diamond account is due partly to higher working costs and partly to the fact that there were less sales by The Diamond Corporation from old stocks held at low prices. In the main the increased revenue from investments reflects higher dividends from our major shareholdings in Anglo American Corporation and AECI as well as larger dividends from our trade investment in De Beers Botswana Mining Company In these circumstances and in spite of difficult trading conditions a good start has been made in 1980 and deterred dividends were raised from 65 cents to 72.5 cents per share. Net current assets at 31st December 1979 after providing for the dividend amounted to RTST million.

The book value of the Group's investments and long-term loans. increased during the year by R221 million to R784 million. The value of these investments and loans, was R2.3.4 million as compared with RLOT3 million last year After deducting those foreign loans that have been used for investment purposes and allowing for minority interests the total value of net investments, loan levy at R121 million and net current assets attributable to De Beers at 31st December was R3.911 million or 837 cents per deferred share as compared with 530 cents the previous year

Market conditions

Throughout 1979 the demand for diamonds of one carat in weight and upwards remained strong and this has continued in 1980. Two price increases for large diamonds were readily absorbed by the market. The demand for the small sizes of diamonds however has been and remains weak. At the beginning of this year some improvement in market demand overall made itself felt but the rise in interest rates to unprecedented levels is likely to create increasing financing problems in the cutting centres where the holding of stocks has become extremely expensive and, as a result, the position has become more uncertain. Market conditions for the rest of the year will obviously depend to a large extent on developments in the American economy and we expect the weakness in the demand for small sizes to continue. In spite of these difficulties sales by CSO have so far been higher than last year and it looks as though the current level of sales is likely to be maintained for the rest of the year. The market for industrial diamonds

remained firm throughout the year. However, a reduction in the supply of natural industrial diamonds has forced a substantial swing away. from natural to synthetic diamond in this field. Our industrial division was able to adapt itself successfully to these conditions and major expansion programmes are underway at the Group's synthetic diamond factories. The industrial diamond market continues to expand and we are well placed, both technically and commercially to take advantage of this situation.

Diamond production by the Group amounted to 13.985,000 carats as compared with 11,995,000 carats in 1978. Of the increase of L990.000 carats, the Orana mine in Botswana accounted for 1,657(40) carats and there was a substantial increase of 475.000 carats from Namaqualand. The CDM production at 1,653,000 carats was down by 246,000 carats and further reductions in the

output from this source must be expected over the years ahead. It is important, both for the diamond industry and for the emerging state of Namibia which last year received by way of tax and loan levy 64 per cent of CDM's mining profits, that the life of this property should be extended for as long a period as is economically possible and to this end a major prospecting campaign is in progress both within and to the north of the company's present mining area and in the offshore concessions of the Marine Diamond Corporation which are at present leased to CDM. CDM remains a very important contributor to the profits of the De Beers Group, though the proportion of total profits derived from South West Africa/Namibia. amounting in 1979 to 18 per cent, is less than it used to be in the past.

Expansion programme

The expansion programme at the Finsch mine is nearing completion. The new plant will be in operation in the middle of the year and production is scheduled to rise from the present level of slightly in excess of 2.5 million carats to approximately 4.5 million carats per annum. Excellent progress is being made in the development of the Jwaneng mine in southern Botswana. This is an exceptionally important project which is estimated to cost Pula 280 million to complete. The mine is planned to come into production in 1982 at a treatment rate of 4.8 million tons per annum, Revenue from diamonds is already a very important element in the national income of Botswana and will become very much more

important when I waneng reaches full production. It is not too much to say that the interest of the government of Botswana in the stability and prosperity of the diamond industry is virtually as great as that of the De Beers Company itself and I am glad to be able to report that the relationship between the Government and the Company is smooth and co-operative.

We have over a number of years been pursuing a policy in regard to employment practices designed to eliminate all traces of racial discrimination in the affairs of the Company. The annual wage award made to mine employees in June of last year finally established a tully integrated wage scale for all employees, irrespective of race, in the Group mines in South Africa and South West Africal Namibia, and earnings of unskilled mine employees are in excess of the supplementary living level established by the University of South Africa. In Botswana and Lesotho mine wages are negotiated and fixed in consultation with the governments of those countries.

the year end we had acquired an interest of just under 5 per cent in Consolidated Gold Fields Limited and after the year end we increased this interest to approximately 25 per cent and sold half of the total to Anglo American. Consolidated Gold Fields which is based in Britain is a widely diversified and efficiently. managed company with important interests in Britain, South Africa, the United States and Australia. This large investment in Consolidated Gold Fields will further strengthen and diversity our portfolio.

THE CENTRAL SELLING

ORGANISATION

and the diamond industry

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On arrival in London the rough dignionas are sorted

and valued into some 3,000 different classifications by size

shape, colour and quality. Over 400 specialist witting staff are as isked by computer limbers machines developed by the

CSO, although the more intricate preparations nex

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Substantial finantial resources purpled with technical

Most of the world's tough diamonds pass through

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While the outlook for the diamend industry is not without its problems it som the whole satisfactory and this taken together with our growing diversified holdings in other businesses, gives good reson to expect satisfactory results for the present year. De Beers has successfully maintained its position as leader of the diamond industry but it is today very much more than a diamond mining company It has therefore achieved? greater solidity than ever in the past of



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Luis Gordon

By Catherine Gunn
Sherry and port shipper Luis
Gordon more than doubled its
pre-tax profits to £475,000—
from £180,000—in 1979, after
interest costs of £722,000. The
dividend rose by a third, with
a gross yield of 3.83 per cent at
56p a share. Trading profits
came to £1.2m, against £764,000
in 1978.

Margins on sherry trading, by
far the largest of its liquor distribution interests, improved.
Sherry accounted for 82 per
cent of group sales of £16.1m.
This included duty, but excluded VAT on roughly £15m of
United Kingdom sales
Luis Gordon has acted as the
United Kingdom agent for
Domecq sherries, and flow
wines, since 1922. Domecq in
turn, owns just over half £001—
don's equity.

The group's sherry sales, in

more than

profits

doubled

By Catherine Gunn

Stock markets

akeover bids help to enliven equities

be dominated by the oils gilt sectors, but yesterday's and gift swere livened up by a group of takeover bids and the reaction to Iranian claims that American planes had fired on

liter fluctuating around £10m or the past five years, profits tue in two months from Renold lue in two months from Renold—the gears and transmission roup—arc expected to jult to etween £6m to £7m before tax or the year to March. Lanuishing at 68p the shares icld a scarcely credible 21.8 or cent assuming the final is cld. According to one analyst. enold will probably pay ven so, given the ever dull rospecis, most analysts are commending sales.

The market opened firm with ivestors paying particular mention to British Government ocks where falling American characterist rates and the strength the pound lead to advances the longer-dated stock of 11 the morning. These gains ere held throughout the day, though no further advances fere made. Even the Iranianerican air skirmish daunt enthusiasm at lunchne, although trading was light,
id they closed at the same
vel £1 better on the day. English Nat Inst (F) Shorts also saw £1 gains though by the afternoon the

Roberts Asiard (F) 13.6(11.1) 0.95(0.70) 21.73(17.33) 5.0(3.0) — — (—)
Tarmac (F) 836.3(752.0) 38.0(26.5) 53.4(26.4) 8.75(6.9) 8.7 13.7(10.9)
Dividends in this table are shown net of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To extablish gross multiply net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and earnings are net. *= Preferred. †= Deferred. Mining shares dipped once ain, with a \$12 fall in the ld price to \$513.5 in the

ices were closing slightly off

ICI received attention because of its North Sea interests, but finished unchanged at 362p, as did Glaxo at 198p. Beecham at 118p and Courtaulds at 66p were also unchanged, but BAT Industries with results due were also unchanged, but BAT Industries, with results due today, attracted interest and gained 5p to 231p. Pilkington added 2p to 203p and Unitever dipped by the same to 416p. Fisons gained 5p to 284p.

George Ewer, the Grey-Gren coaches people returned

Gren coaches people, returned from suspension 24p down at 47p, after paying 11.24m for privately-owned Eastern Trac-

Lake View Invet (F)
Luis Gordon (F)
Petrocon (F)

Pochin's (1) Roberts Asiard (F)

5m 33.17(25.1)

afternoon, and a small rise in New York when the markets opened, failed to boost the London shares.

At the close the FT Indey was slightly off its top lunchtime level at 436.7—4.6 up on the day.

For the second day running blue chip stocks were forced to follow a lead set by the oils pitches and the gilts dealers.

ICI received attention because to specific to share a state of the longate of A 46 per cent growth in pro-fits gave Tarmac a 12p spurt to 240p, but Alpine Holdings slipped 8p to 93p on the warn-ing about current trading.

Disappointing profits also left Petrocon 9p down at 18p. In timber, bid favourite Mallinson-Denny fell back by 2p to 69!p while Montague L. Meyer gained the same amount to 103p. Owen Owen continued to rise steadily, going from 125p to 133p while Elys of Wimble-don, in which It has a near 30 per cent stake, finished 17p up

Latest results

Earnings

29.3(28.2) 2.28(2.10)

4.75(3.41) 8.19(2.83) 1.4(2.38)

Profits

2.76(1.92) 0.75(0.69)

13.7(12.8)

U.15(0.24) U.25(0.27)

The ever-bubbling oils sector saw large rises after Carless Capel announced that it had found hydrocarbon indications in Hampshire. The share price rose 14p to 117p. International Thomson gained 36p to 410p and stories about the United States West Coast find pushed up Premier 34p to 791p. IC Gas also rose 30p to 794p, while Charterhall gained 4p to 70p. KCA International moved up by the same amount to 71p, but its offshoot Berkeley Exploration dropped back 1p to 135p.

Gains among the major stocks

Gains among the major stocks were less prononuced, with BP adding 2p to 332p, Shell 4p to 346p while Burmsh was unchanged at 198p. Ultramar rose 12p to 628p and Lasmo put on 5p to 568.

In stores, Boots went up 4p to 1870 with results due soon while House of Fraser gained 20 to 1390 as more speculative support come in for the group

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Year's

total 5.26(2.76)

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1.5(-) 1.15(4.5)

Gold shares showed losses of Gold shares showed losses of around 50p in a day which reflected the easier bullion price on the other side of the Atlantic. Although there was some Cape and continental buying in the morning, and prices closed at the top, the dealers were able to make little of the threats between Iran and dealers were able to make little
of the threats between Iran and
the United States. AngloAmerican Gold dipped £\(\xi\) to
£341 1/16 while Randfontein
fell 11/16 to £27 11/16. St
Helena was £\(\xi\) down at £14\(\xi\),
while Vaal Reefs finished at
£231 5/6, 7'16 down. RTZ
gained 2p to 370p and De Beers
deferred dipped 8p to 375p.

MFI Furniture's share price continued on its downward descent by dropping 1p to 55p vesterday, us a large line of 200,000 shares went through the market. But the seller may the market. But the seller may have jumped the gun as last week's revised profits forecast of around £16.6m for the year by chairman. Mr Arthur Southon, may now prove to be ultra-conservative as margins improve. A likely outturn could he in the region of £17m.

Equity turnover for April 29 was 573.288m (number of bargains 11,821). The most active stocks according to Exchange Telegraph were Carless Capel, Ocean Transport. Premier, IC Gas. BP. Shell, Tricentrol, P and O, Bat Industries, BTR, Blue Circle Industries, Bass, National Westminster, Charterball, and

Second-half drop slows Bunzl

By Peter Wilson-Smith
Second-half profits from Burnel Pulp & Paper fell by £610,000 because of weakening demand and pressure on margins in the final quarter. After the 22 per cent increase at the interim stage, this left the taxable surplus 7 per cent bigher at £13.7m for the year to December 31, Turnover was up by 11 per cent to £230m.

The figures included a £359,000 pretax profit, and £67m at sales from the Austrian subsidiary unzl & Biach, which was sold after the year end for £11.6m. Although this was less tsan book value, and Burnl has had to provide £4.46m to cover the difference, the sale reduces group borrowings by £18.7m and the gearing ratio falls from 46 per cent to 10 per cent.

Bunzl earns over half of its profits overseas and at the pretax level the rise in sterling during 1979 cost the group £1.3m. However, the overseas of the running in 1979. United Kingdom trading profits were down from £5.6m to £5.5m; but profits from £4.2m and the orher overseas operations—with the exception of the American contingents—showed a small improvement.

Trading profits showed a strong recovery on the pulp and paper merchanting side, rising from £1m to £2.1m.

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Options list decision

The traded options pitch on Lourko would attract an instituthe Stock Exchange floor has finally decided what stocks to add to the 13 in which contracts are already quoted. P & O and Loarho are to join the list on May 29, the beginning of a new series of options.

The decision has been germinating since the Budget. It has taken time for the Council to decide, because it is thought, it was uncertain whether

following. The opportunity is also being taken to delete Boots because

it is dull. The decisions flow from the Chancellor's move to tax options on the same basis as warrants rather than as wasting assets.
They are cautious because
business is taking time to pick
up. Yesterday only 365 deals

don's equity.

The group's sherry sales, in 1979 rose 8 per cent in volome terms—or 50,000 cases—in spite of a virtually static United Kingdom sherry market. More sherry was sold in the United Kingdom through supermarkets than specialized retailers for the first time. Other drinks, including port, Spanish, French and German wines, distributed by Gordon increased their combined sales volume by a quarter.

The first quarter of 1980 went The first quarter of 1980 went well. The group regarded the March Budget increases in VAT as reasonable. Now it is looking for a fall in interest rates before the pre-Christmas re-stocking

Cavenham Inc plans o control Diamond

om Anthony Hilton

Cavenham Inc. the Aemrican Occidentale nersie Occidentale is naing to buy control of mond International Corporan, a huge United States kaging pulp and timber apany. Diamond has sales of over m a year, and profits in 1978

svenham already owns at st 5.6 per cent of Diamond's ck But it apparently disoves of Diamnd's recent

smpts to merge with another est products group Brooks-inlon, and has filed a court ion in Delaware to block the a statement Cavenham was firmly opposed to offer which it considered unfair to Diamond's shareiers. It claimed that the

ty material, which is the the company produced to explain the ger, is misleading. And it that "to protect its invest-t" it will offer to purchase significant portion nond's stock. avenham has not

iched a formal bid. But it have to move fast as mond shareholders meet on 14 to approve the merger Brooks-Scanlon. spokesman for the com-

Cavenham, was unable to

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clarify why the Brooks Scanlon deal was considered unfair, but Cavenham Inc., the Aemrican before being approached by n of Sir James Goldsmith's Diamond, Brooks-Scanlon was on the point of merging with another company. It called that deal off because Diamond offered a considerably higher price.

Cavenham might be unwilling to see its shareholding diluted by what it sees as a costly acquisition, analysts on Wall Street noted.

There was speculation, too that Cavenham had long been considering a bid for Diamond, but would find the combined company too large to swallow.
Diamond itself is an attractive,
asset-rich company with 1.4
million acres of timber. It
shocked Wall Street two years
ago by revaluing its assets and throwing up a \$400m surplus. But its trading performance has been duil and margins have declined steadily for the past five

Roughly one-third of its eernlngs come from packaging and a fifth each from timber and a retailing chain on the West Coast and New England which sells building supplies and wood for construction.

A spokesman for Diamond refused to discuss the Cavenham approach. Efforts to reach Cavenham's lawyer at the num-ber given on the court docu-ments filed on Monday also proved unsuccessful

Briefly

Ladbroke Group's report and accounts for 1979 have been delayed by the printing dispute, but the group says they wil ishow cet assets per share up from 159p to 223p-boosted by a £22.5m surplus 223p—boosted by a £22.5m surplus from property revaluations. Mr Cyril Stein, chairman, says that because a large part of revenue derives from leilure spending, "Our businesses are genedally immune from down turns in the economy". He adds that "the pattern of trade in 1980 has been good". To avoid delay in dividend payments the 6.05p proposed final has been replaced by a second interim.

Henderson Administration, the City-based international investment management group, has formed a subsidiary. Henderson Pension Fund Maragement. The new company will be headed by Mr Colin Day, who has been responsible for Henderson's pension fund development since 1977.

Nat Bank of Hungary: An agreement on a \$250m loan to the National Bank of Hungary was signed in London yesterday. Loan is to run for seven years and the management group includes management group includes National Westminster Bank, Manu-facturers Hanover, Dresdner Bank and Credit Lyomais.

English National Invst: Gross interest for year to March 31, 1980, £253,000 against £225,000 in previous year. Earnings per share preferred 2.28p (2.10p), deferred 4.24p (3.5p). Preferred final 1.74p gross (3.18p gross), deferred final 3.45p gross (4.54p gross).

M. J. H. Nightingale & Co. Limited 27/28 Lovat Lane London EC3R 8EB Telephone 01-621 1212 The Over-the-Counter Market

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Accounts prepared under provision of SSAP15



In a year that was bedevilled more than most by adverse circumstances, we achieved a further overall improvement in the Group's financial results in 1979.

The turnover amounted to £1,961 million, an increase of £206 million, and the trading surplus rose £20 million to £116 million.

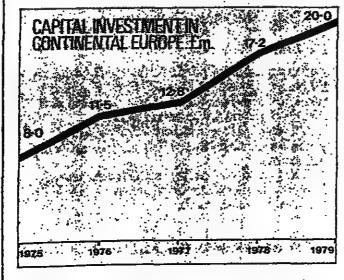
The most serious setback was the engineering unions' industry-wide prolonged strike in the United Kingdom which is estimated to have reduced profits in 1979 by some £15 million.

In the rest of Europe we experienced a strong trading performance, which reflects the benefit of our Continental expansion.

This is seen in the geographical division of our turnover and trading surplus, as follows:-

	Tun	nover	Surplus		
	1979	1978 illion	1979 £ mi	1978	
United Kingdom Rest of Europe Rest of World	1,339 430 192 1,961	1,214 394 147 1,755	65 42 9 116	56 32 8 96	

Transmissions operations world-wide continued to benefit from the expansion of the production



into

Extracts from the Annual Report and Accounts and the foreword to shareholders by the Chairman, Trevor Holdsworth.

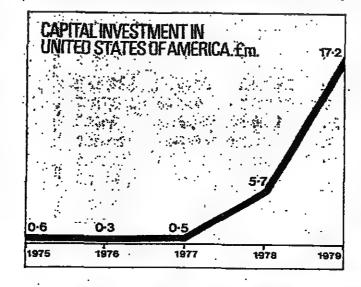
of front-wheel-drive passenger cars requiring constant velocity joints.

Capital expenditure in 1979 was £108.6 million of which £67 million was in the United Kingdom.

The people we employ round the world



Europe	1979	1978
United Kingdom	69,115	68,831
Rest of Europe	14,631	14,461
Asia	15,170	15,110
Australia	974	847
Africa	2,483	2,315
America	1,951	945
	104,324	102,509



The graphs show the investment in the rest of Europe and in North America over the past five

Against an increasingly unsettled background in 1979 we continued with our major programme of strategic realignment, aimed at simplifying and concentrating the Group's businesses and the accompanying management reorganisation.

Manufacturing capacity for the production of constant velocity joints on the Continent and in the United Kingdom is being expanded in line with the demand for these components.

Our first plant in the United States of America for the production of constant velocity joints will be commissioned in May this year and will commence delivery in July.

We are already well advanced with the second and larger facility which will be commissioned in May 1981.

Our involvement in the international distribution of automotive accessories and replacement parts was significantly increased with major developments and acquisitions in the United Kingdom and the United States.

The acquisition of the Sheepbridge Group during the year widened our manufacturing range of automotive components in the United Kingdom as well as further increasing our autoparts distribution activities.

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Our trading results for 1979 in brief							
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_	£ million	£ million:					
Turnover	1,961.0	1,754.7: 157.7					
Surplus before deprecia	Surplus before depreciation 181.9						
Depreciation	66.0	61.4					
Profit before taxation	101.4	87.3					
Taxation	44.2	41.6					
Dividends	32.1	26.3					
Retained profit	0.7	13.3					
Capital expenditure	108.6	85.3.					



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More talk at | Alpine faces tough year bid for Owen Owen

By Michael Clark

Further active buying yester-day, in shares of Liverpool-based stores group, Owen Owen again renewed speculation that bid developments may be just around the corner.

The shares rose 8p to 133p yesterday, compared with the group's share price of 114p just over a week ago. This has led to suggestions that the group, which is controlled by the Owen family interests, may have received a bid for its 20 odd stores scattered throughout the country including the prime Leamington Spa store.

But the main attraction to the group comes with its 29.9 per cent holding in Elys of Wimbledon and Grant Bros Croydon) in which it holds 15 from £543,000 to £1.2. Earnings a share went ahead from 10.59p to 15.82p, allowing an 10.59p to



Mr James Gulliver, chairman of Alpine Holdings.

pine Double Glazing had to ab-

behind inflation. Dolphin did outstandingly well. Dolphia coatinues to do well, but double glazing has become an industry where the going is tough and one dominated by weak selling from hard pressed

weak setting from hard pressed small operators. Alpine's sales have fallen sharply.

There is, however, an im-pression that the chairman is looking ahead with the utmost caution, that he has costs al-ready well in hand and that acquisitions are being sought.

Even so the fact remains that Even so, the fact remains that dear money, falling demand and a mild winter will have

hit double glazing hard. Mr Gulliver placed 750,000 of his shares with institutions last June, but he extended the expiring management contract of his private investment com-

of his private investment com-pany until January next.

The shares are down from a 1979-80 high of 133p to 93p, or 8p down yesterday on trading fears. Asked vesterday whether he planned to buy some more. Alpade shares, he replied: "It is quite possible. It all depends on the price."

acceptance until further notice except that the cash and shares

Reckitt & Colman expect US upturn

Mr J. Cleminson, chairman of Reckit: and Colman, says that given the problems created by the economic conditions of the world, the board does not pretend that it is going to be easy to maintain progress in all the

goes unconditional

S. Hoffnung, has gone uncon-ditional. Acceptances of the ordinary offer, together with shares acquired and shares agreed to be acquired now total 59.17 per cent of Hoffnung. Acceptances of the cumula tive preference offer represent

De Beers expects diamond sales to rise

From Michael Prest

Johannesburg Diamond sales are likely to he higher this year than in 1979, Mr Harry Oppenheimer, chairman of De Beers, says in his latest annual report. But demand for stones smaller than one carat is still

weak and, after a good first quarter, sales for the rest of the year will depend on the Mr Oppenheimer warns that high interest rates in the cutting cautres are increasing the buyers' financing problems, thereby adding to the uncertainty of trade conditions.

Production at Consolidated Production at Consolidated Diamond Mines, the huge property in Namibia, fell by 246,000 carats last year, to 1.65m carats. CDM now 1.65m carats. CDM now pays about 64 per cent of its unrevealed profits, thought to be about Rand 200m, in tax and loan levy to Namibia. The company's contribution to De Beors's Rand 742m profit was

down to 18 per cent.

CDM was one of the eight mines out of 13 in the company whose production grades fell last year. The Finsch Mine, near Kimberley, is to raise production from 2.5m carets a year to 4.5m A Fand 60m year, to 4.5m. A Rand 60m expansion programme should be completed within two years.

United Capitals

at an extraordinary general meeting on May 21, that the company be wound up voluntarily.

The company has been calling a customers and indeed a general stagnation of business.

The chairman says that the current period would see some

windows accounting for £20.8m,

a 28 per cent increase. Pre-tax profits rose 44 per cent to £2.76m with double glazing accounting for £1.8m. The biggest

advance came from Dolphin Showers, whose profits soared

The company has been selling investments in listed securities and expects that the net pro-ceeds will enable the liquidator to make cash distributions of more than 20p a share.

Meanwhile, the board hopes that the liquidator will be able to make a first capital distri-

healthy workload

Turnover for Pochin's, builders and civil engineering contractors, for half year to November 11, 1979, was £7.3m compared with £6.7m a year earlier. Pre-tax profit was £252,000 against £273,400.

Chairman says that having regard to the economic situa-tion, the board is reasonably satisfied with the results, and forecasts a healthy workload for the immediate future. The in-terim dividend is held at 1.24p

Danish Bacon hit by poor market

United Capitals

to pay 20p a share

The board of United Capitals
Investment Trust will propose,

emphasis on economies to conemphases on economies to con-tain costs but a substantial improvement in business climate would be necessary for profits to be maintained.

D. Bramali looks for acquisition

The chairmen of D. Bramall says that the first three mouths of the current year have produced excellent results, comfortably exceeding last year. He says the company is in a position to successfully combat the problems it is likely to encounter, and that he expects to be able to report an acquisition very shortly. One or two other situations which the company is looking at are expected to come to fruition before the end of the year.

Harris Queensway and Henderson-Kenton

The offers on behalf of Harris Queensway for Hender-son-Kenton have become unconditional in all respects. Accept-ances of the offers on shares in issue prior to the reorgani-zation of the share capital, have been received in respect of 4.96m ordinary and 1.19m pre-ference, representing 92.8 per cent and 92.9 per cent of the shares not skeady owned by

Harris now owns 94.0 per cent of the ordinary capital as constituted before reorganiza-tion. Offers remain open for

group's markets.
The board confidently ex-

pected the North American results to increase from their present low level and that therefore there will be an improvement in overall results. Accounts show payments to former directors of £70,000 as compensation for loss of office and £46,050 as ex-gratia pay-

Offer for Hoffmung

Burns Philp's offer to acquire some 67.6 per cent of Hoff-nung's preference capital.

Ford loses \$473m in US as sales fall sharply

The Ford Motor Co yesterday announced a domestic loss of \$473m (about 5220m) in the first quarter of this year as sales fell dramatically.

Ford said the loss would have tax freety between the United Kingdom. In the same period last year an aftertax loss of \$495m. Prefix of \$220m.

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Car and truck sales in the United Kingdom.

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Ford said the loss would have been deeper except for a non-recurring gain of \$91m as a result of a recently approved closed that all of its operations. Instead, it discusses from the company many a months of \$220m.

Car and truck sales in the United States and Canada fell by shoots 44 per cent in the quarter to 653,147 units from closed that all of its operations 1.16m units in 1979.

cent to \$331m from \$361m &

Mr Philip Celdwell, chairman. said Ford's losses in the United States were caused by high in-flation, rising energy costs and Outside North America, Ford said its profit alid by 9.1 per



IN MILLIONS OF U.S. DOLLARS

Assets	31.12.75	31.12.76	31.12.77	31.12.78	31.12.79
Cash and due from banks	1,142.0	1,344.7	1,098.1	2,767.7	1,667.0
Loans	26,166.8	31,932.4	39,023.9	42,499.8	42,837.4
Securities	429.7	506.9	729.8	1,010.0	664.4
Bank premises and equipment	373.4	370.3	900.7	815.0	694.2
Other assets	1,094.4	4,772.4	4,983.9	1,965.3	3,383.0
TOTAL ASSETS	29,206.3	38,926.7	46,736.4	49,057.8	49,246.0
Liabilities					
Capital and reserves	2,457.5	2,688.6	3,547.5	4,057.5	3,269.6
Deposits	17,537.7	23,226.3	26,565.1	22,729.2	16,074.9
Demand	9,129.6	9,839.7	11,019.8	8,059.9	6,772.7
Time	8,408.1	13,386.6	15,545.3	14,669.3	9,302.2
Funds borrowed	1,367.4	1,504.0	1,760.7	8,654.2	15,644.3
Funds for refinancing	5,882.5	8,014.0	11,341.5	11,804.3	10,979.9
Other liabilities	1,961.2	3,493.8	3,521.6	1,812.6	3,277.3
TOTAL LIABILITIES	29,206.3	38,926.7	46,736.4	, 49,057.8	49,246.0

The figures shown above are the conversion of Cruzeiros into U.S. dollars at the rate prevailing on the respective balance sheet dates,

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Fine Art bids for **Wilson Bros** –at last

By Michael Clark The City has never been shert of takeover stories, but yesterday it lost one of its oldest when greetings card group Fine Art Developments finally bid for Wilson Bros following 12 years of negotiations

In an agreed bid worth £4.3m. Fine Art has agreed to offer one ordinary share plus offer the ordinary share of three ordinary shares of Wilson Bros. At present, the Staffordshire-based Fine Art holds 24.4 per cent of the company plus the 2.1 per cent held by its own pension fund making a total of 26.5 per cent. In addition, the directors of Wilson Bros, which also publish greetings cards, have agreed to part with their holding representing about 5.7 per cent of the total, while at the same time, urging shareholders to part with their interests.

interests.

The board of Fine Art has been assured of the stake held by the Wilson family and its nominees, which it feels will give it overall control.

Shares of Wilson Bros greeted the news with a jump of 12p to 34p. But while one jobber in the market agreed that the bid had taken most of the market by surprise, specu-

the market by surprise, speculations regarding the two com-panies had been evident for many years. Nevertheless, the thought of more Fine Art paper pouring into the market was enough to send shares of Fine Art sliding 3p to 55p yesterday. The ordinary shareholders of Wilson Bros will be entitled to Wilson Bros will be entitled to retain a second interim dividend of 1.57p gross, which will be paid upon the offer becoming unconditional. Shareholders will also have the choice of a loan note as alternative to the cash offer of 56p.

Rowe & Pitman for Boston

By Catherine Guan An increasing number of British financial institutions are linking up with their United States counterparts as more American institutions, particularly the giant pension funds, wake up to the investment opportunities outside their own

continent. United Kingdom merchant banks like Robert Fleming and Warburg have supplied United States institutions with advice fro New York offices for some year. The latest forey into the United States market comes from the United Kingdom broking firm, Rows & Pitman.

Its 10-man subsidiary in San Francisco is opening a branch

i Boston.
"It is logical to have a ranch between the West Coast Office and the United King-dom , explains Rowe & Pit-

Rowe & Pitman has had a handful of clients in Boston for handful of clients in Boston for some time. Their increasing interest in everseas markets triggered the decision to open the office there. Business opens on 13 May. The office will be run by Bostonian Mr Richard Murray, ex-United States broking firm of A. G. Becker—backed up by visiting Rowe & Pitman analysts and partners.

Rows & Pitman considers itself "almost uniquely placed" to put United States institutions into any market in Europe, as well as South Africa, and the Middle and Far East.

Foreign competition comes

Foreign competition comes from Japanese brokers already established in New York.

Volkswagen profits up 19 pc on record deliveries

of Dm438m (£102m) in 1979, up 19 per cent from 1978, in a year marked by record worldwide deliveries totalling 2.51m

Profits for the VW group, meanwhile, rose 16.2 per cent to Dm667m and turnover rose 14.9 per cent to Dm30,700m in 1979, the first year in which results for Triumph Werke Nuemberg and Chrysler Motors do Brasil were incorporated into the group results.

Domestic sales were Brasil.

Dm12,500m, up 11.3 per cent from the year earlier, while foreign sales grew by 17.5 per worldwide deliveries of vehicles

International

cent to Dm18,200m. The total 59.3 per cent in 1979, up from 58 per cent in 1978.

Group investments rose by 55.8 per cent to Dm3,100m, which includes acquisition costs of Triumph and Chrysler of

Bethlehem Steel lower

Bethlehem Steel's net earnings in the first quarter of 1980 rose in the first quarter properties of \$1,950m, and sales of \$1,950m, products and increased revenues chiravard operations.

primarily to lower sized ship-ment levels which were partly offset by improved operations at its shipyards.

Sperry earnings improve

Net profits were \$87.5m, against \$69.6m, on revenues of \$1,385m, compared with \$1,186m the year before.

Net profits for the year were \$277m, or \$7.60 a share, compared with \$224m and \$6.35 a share in 1978. Sales for the year rose to \$4,785m from \$4,179m.

The headless of orders at primary share.

quarter of 1979.

Bethlehem said its lower first the sales rise to a shift in the quarter profits was attributable primarily to lower steel shipment levels which were partly ment levels which were partly ment levels which were partly market and higher sales to the construction and machinery

Sperry Corp reported net March 31 was \$3,300m, an in-earnings of \$2.32 a share, up crease of 17 per cent from a from \$1.96 a share a year year ago. Orders were up by 17 earlier, for the fourth quarter per cent for the quarter and to March 31. In the latest quarter foreign exchange losses rising from balance sheet translations amounted to 36 cents a primary

The backlog of orders at primary share,

had risen by 3.4 per cent in tife first three months of 1980 to a total of 656,000 units.

He said he expected returns to be "satisfactory" in 1980 barring "unusual" added costs from raw material price increases or foreign exchange

Sales in the Western Euro-pean markets outside West Germany rose by 17.7 per cent to 520,500 vehicles with sharpest growth recorded in France, Italy and Great Britain. In the United States, deliveries rose by 19.5 per cent to 334,700 mahieles. vehicles.

North Broken Hill

North Broken Hill Holdings of Melbourne reported estimated net profits of A\$26.78m for the first three quarters to March 31, up from A\$11.85m a vear earlier.

Estimated net mining profits were A\$14.9m, against A\$6.04m the year before, on mine production valued at A\$84m, compared with A\$43.5m.

Old Mutual

The South African mutual life assurance society Old Mutual has begun discussions with the boards of Tiger Oats and National Milling Co and Im-perial Cold Storage and Supply with a view to restructuring its interest in food and related in-dustries, the Johannesburg Stock

Exchange said. It said the quotations of Tiger Onts and Imperial Cold Storage were suspended yesterday in Johannesburg and London at the request of the companies, pending the announcement.

Business appointments

CBI economic committee head

her James Cleminson, chairman and chief executive of Reckitt and Colman, is to be the next chairman of the Confederation of British Industry's economic situation com-mittee. He succeeds Sid Raymond Depress who will become word Pennock, who will become president of the CBI at its annual meeting on May 21.

Mr Walter Dickson, managing director of the Pedigree Pedioods Division, will become managing director of Mars Confectionery in succession to Mr Brian Law. Mr Lexite Simmens, currently commercial director of Pedigree Petroods, has been appointed as Mr Dickson's successor.

Mr E. Barry Palmer has been named national managing partner of Robson Rhodes. He takes over from Mr James Clement who will continue as senior partner of the firm in a non-executive role. Mr Hugh Cubitt becomes chair-man of Lombard North Central. He succeeds the Rt Hon the Earl of Grawford and Balcarres.

Mr C. R. Harris, an executive

rancis Shaw, has been elected resident of the British Plastics ederation. Mr George Howd of bell Chemicals (UK), will be vice-president,
Mr Peter B. King has joined the
board of insurance brokers
Lowndes Lambert Group and has
been made menaging director of
its subsidiary company, Lowndes
Lambert Aviation.

Mr Derrick Plummer is now National Westminster Bank's senior representative in Austra-lasia, based in Sydney.

lasia, based in Sydney.

Mr Brian Baker, managing director of Autobar Yending Supplies, has been elected chairman of the Automatic Vending Association of Britain. Mr Harry Turnbull of Polyvend has been made treasurer and Mr Mike Bridie of MDM Venders (UK) has joined the board of management of the association.

Mr C. J. Dodson is to succeed Mr A. D. N. Jones who is retiring as secretary of Turner & Newall. Dr N. A. Cutler, co-ordinator, UK chemical development for Turner & Newall, is also to retire.

Mr Peter Mitchell, managing director, The Country Garden, has become chairman of The Marketing Society, Mr Ean Webb, Ket-Webb Management & Marketing, of the management committee, along with Mr John Allan, marketing director, Finefare; Mr Anthony Kavanagh, joint menaging director, DDB Aint Mr James Laird, marketing director, United Biscuits; Mr Alan Robson, marketing and sales director. and sales director. Alberto Culver and Mr Keith White, marketin director, Bolt Lloyd.

Mr Rod Attwooll has been made

Mr Basif M. Sandelson retired from parmership

Bendon, Langer & Co but will continue with the firm as a consultant.

Mr Geoffrey Young has been appointed secretary of the BEAMA. Transmission and Distribution Association and director of the Electrical and Electronic Insulation Association, both federated members of the British Electrical and Allied Manufacturers' Association

ciation.
Mr D. W. Bateman has been elected chairman of the low volt-

Mr T. A. P. Walker has been made a director of Henderson Administration. Mr R. Whalley is joining the board of Ferranti Instrumentation.
Mr. Alan Taylor has been appointed to the board of directors of S. Lyles.

Mr Arthur Montgomery and Mr David Snedden, both assistant managing directors, become joint managing directors of Thomson

Professor Roland Smith has become chairman of Temple Bar Investment Trust in succession to the late Mr A. F. Roger. Mr Alastair R. McIndoe has become chairman of Chelses Building Society. He succeeds Mr Robin E. Goodfellow who will

Sales rose 25% to £16,096,000 Profit before tax rose 164% to £475,000

Earnings per share rose from 2.85p to 8.19p Net Assets per share rose from 25p to 36p

Comment on results Luis Gordon's main business is the importing and marketing of Domecq Sherry and wines, Graham's Port, Glayva Whisky Liqueur and a range of other wines, liquents and spirits. The preliminary results for 1979 demonstrate

The growth in sales reflects the Group's success in increasing the sales of Domecq Sherry and in developing the sales of its other brands.

continued substantial improvement in sales and profit

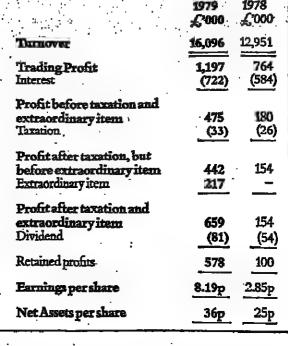
substantial rise in interest charges. Due to the available reliefs, no tax will be paid other than Advance Corporation Tax on the dividend. Extraordinary Item The repayment during the

Profit before taxation was up by 164% despite a

year of the US\$1,850,000 Subordinated Loan resulted man exchange gain of £217,000.

Dividend A dividend is proposed of 1.5p pershare (1978-1p).

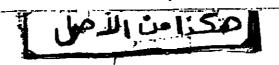
Future prospects Sales and trading profits for the first quarter are ahead of the figures achieved in the same period last year and, while the results for the full year will be heavily influenced by the economic climate and by the level of interest rates, it is hoped that further profit growth will be achieved.





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Annual General Meeting Copies of the Annual Report will be posted to shareholders on Friday, 2nd May, 1980 and the Annual General Meeting will take place at the Caxton Hall, Caxton Street, London SW1 on Wednesday, 28th May, 1980 at 12 TICOIL.



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Taiwan coal purchase

Taipei, April 29.—A Taiwan-ese Purchasing Group touring

the United States has signed contracts with seven United States companies for long-term

ng positions and money from r sources was not easy to So the 17 per cent bids that ies maintained for the greater of the session were not very riding. Though there was some it easing in places at the h, with books ruled-off within ids of 16½ per cent and 17 cent, a number of houses d it necessary to lean on their ers at the close.

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Cuban sugar crop hit by

> rust disease Rio de Janeiro.-Cuba's 1979-80 sugar crop will be reduced at least 10 per cent because of the outbreak of suger rust disease on the island, Cubu's Director for Foreign Trade

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He told Routers, while attending a meeting of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean Sugar-Exporting Countries. Geplaces, that the disease will also adversaly affect next year's also adversely affect next year's

He did not specify Cuba's originally programmed pro-duction from the crop, which is currently at the height of barvesting, but noted that 1978-79 yielded about 8m tonnes and some increase was planned for this year.

Most of Cuba's cane plantations are susceptible to rust, although these are being replanted with resistant varieties. However, replanting can only be done at the rate of 25 per cent a year and the presence of rust will continue to threaten cans which has not been replaced.

Hervesting of the current crop has been delayed and there is a danger some could supplies of about 20m tonner of coal for Taiwan's thermal power plants, according to Mr S. L. Chu, President of the Taiwan Power Company. be lost if there are early rains.
Ideally, harvesting should be Mr Chu, just returned from the United States, said that in ahead of the start of the rainy season in May. contracts totalling \$800m the Taiwan Power Co. will procure at least 20m tonnes of coal over

However, the bulk of the crop had been harve March and April.

Financial Highlights

Dividends per ordinary share

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Foreign exchange report

After renewed weakness initially clinid Monday's United States the day. After a "low" of states the day. After a "low" of \$2.2680, the close was 1.45 cents down at \$2.2700, while sterling's belind Monday's United States prime rate cuts, the dollar steaded with the aid of modest central banks' support and eventually strengthened yesterday afternoon following New York buving. Some of the upturn stemmed tren covering of short positions, though conditions were rather thin in later trading.

The pound rose atresh to \$2,2915 yer the dollar in opening business, 1.27 in 1.—4.21. Pin numbers in 17 in 17 ft. — There was improved demand for the States of Interest of the States of Interest of Interest

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down at \$2,2700, while stering a "currency basket" average fell to 73.2 from 73.7. No Bank of England activity of consequence was detected. Ground was lost against most Europeans, sentiment not helped by Britain's dogged stance at the EEC Summit Meeting over Budget contributions, which ended without agreement.

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Options

The firm appearance in dealings in the general market failed to establish itself in traded options yesterday, where total contracts remained virtually unchanged at 365, R.T.Z. featured attropely again, with 82

May series of options.

LCE plans oil futures

The London Commodity Exchange is planning to launch futures markets in petroleum and its products, notably heating oil, reports A. P. Dow Jones.

Producers and processors of these commodities in Europe are not hapy with the idea, but one place it is finding favour is at the New York Mercantile Exchange. There, 18-month-old futures contracts for heating oil and industrial fuel oil have oil and industrial fuel oil bave not found a wide following despite an intensive marketing campaign aimed at the oil industry.

N.Y.M.E. officials note that the volume of trading in their heating-oil contract has been rising but analysts say the market remains too small to meet the neeas or ducers and users. Still, the bulk of the crop harvested during with information about hearing.

Wall Street

New York, April 28. Stocks on the New York Stock Exchange closed higher as the index gained 0.28 to 60.01 and the average price per share 14 cents. Advances led declines 947 to 575.

The Dow Jones industrial average gained 1.88 to 805.46 as turnover rose to 30,600,000 share from 28,350,000 on Friday.

There was scattered strength among blue chips and among companies reporting improved quarterly profits. Active General Motors rose 12 to 442 on Friday it announced plans to dismiss about 18,000 salaried employees to cot 18,000 salaried employees to cut

Pepsico reported higher first quarter net and tacked on 1 to 231. Minnesota Mining rose 1 to 33. Monsanto 2 to 451. General Electric 1 to 472 and Merck 1 to Volume leader IBM, however lost 2 to 342. The company said it has made no progress in talks to settle a Federal antitrust suit. UAL Inc which reported a first quarter loss last week, eased 1 to 132 in active trading.

Chrysler added 2 to 62. The company said it expects the Chrysler loan guarantee hoard to approve \$1,500,000 in government loan guarantees tomorrow. Ford Motor added 2 to 24, ex-dividend. It reported a \$164m first quarter loss.

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Pullman climbed 3, to 281, It could not explain the rise. Diamond International added 3, to 341. Cavenham Limited wants to take a substantial stake in Diamond.
Kennecott Copper slipped i to 273. Its first quarter net rose but copper shipments declined. Asarco lost 22 to 341.

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Malaysian rubber production falls in 1979

featured strongly again, with 82 contracts, while Land Securities also attracting further inquiry with 62.

Clearance has also been Kuala Lumpur, April 29.—
Malaysian rubber production previously reported by Reuters, to 638.050 tonnes from 642,100. the association said Peninsular Gross exports from Peninsular Malaysian output declined by and East Malaysia, the United Malaysian output fell to 71,770 Malaysia, to Malaysia output fell to 71,770 Malaysia rose to 1.58m tonnes from 1.54m and imports fell to 40,990 tonnes (49,080). The United States continued to be the largest single buyer of rubber shipped directly from Peninsular Malaysia, tonnes (from 888.050 tonnes). given, following a full meeting of the council, for dealers to start trading in Lonrho and P & O. Dealings will commence on May 29 following expiry of the

"Prompt service and competitive premium rates allied with a good bonus record were the major factors in attaining excellent figures."

Salient points from the statement for 1979 by the Chairman of Clerical Medical, Douglas Morpeth,

* It is with pleasure that I report, once again, a year of record new annual premiums for the Society; at £20.4 million, the total exceeded by £1.3 million the outstanding result for the previous year when the level was nearly doubled.

* In ordinary life assurance, new annual premiums were £5.6 million, 23 per cent above the level for 1978; new premium income from Personal Pension Contracts exceeded £3.0 million; new annual group pension premiums amounted to f14.2 million.

Premium Income 1970–79

* In April 1979, the Society accepted an invitation to join the Aetna/Generali Network, established to provide worldwide advice and underwriting facilities on Employee Benefits.

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- Despite the effects of the road haulage dispute and the engineering strike Group profits, before tax, were a record £18.684 million.
- Success of Building & Consumer Products Divisions and overseas companies are major factors in profits increase.
- Directors recommend same net final dividend as 1978.
- The base has been laid for the positive growth of the company.

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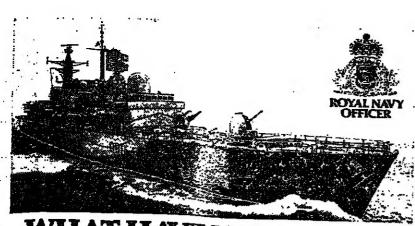
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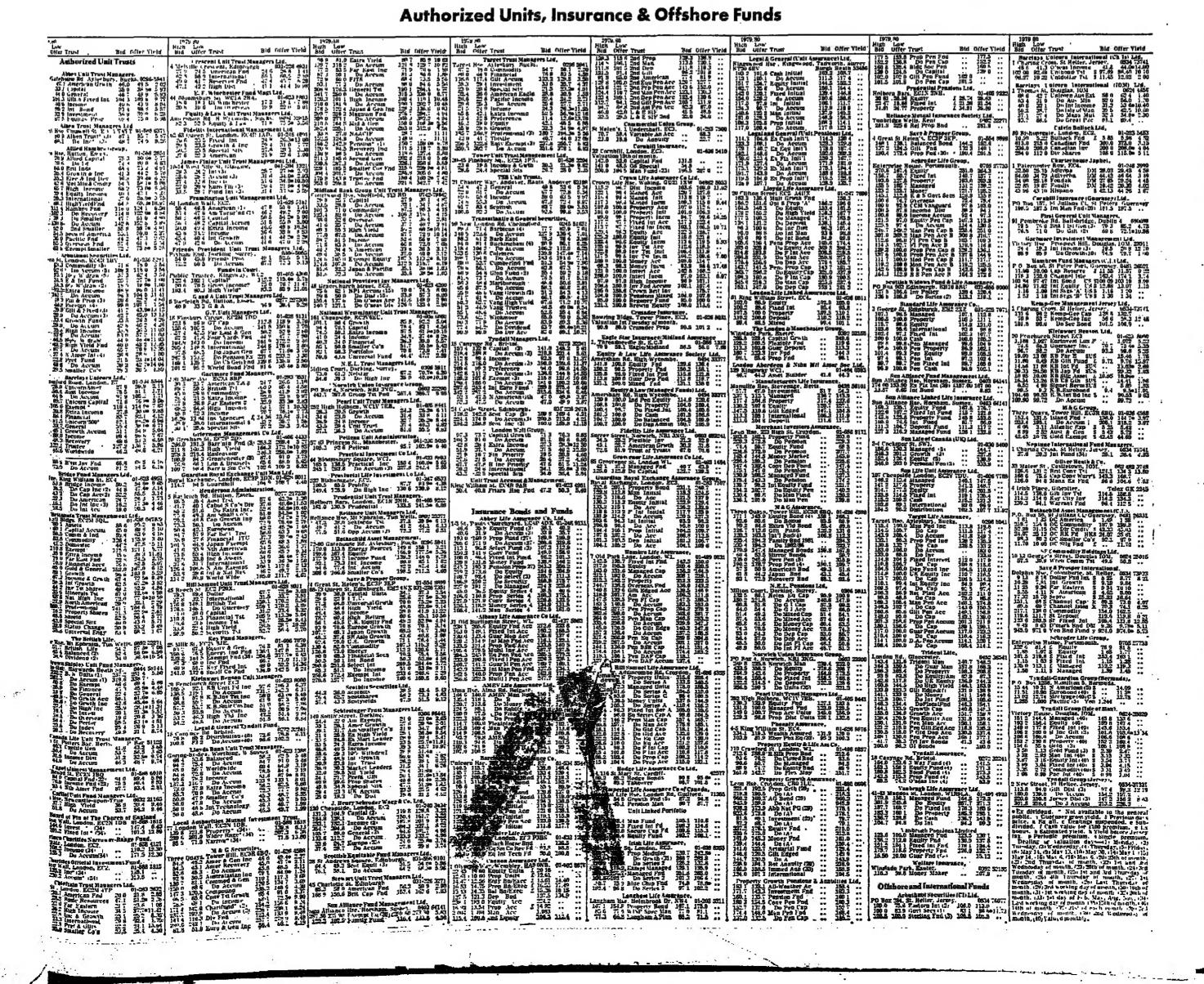
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The island, in the River Stour, is more than an acre, and there are another 1} acres of walled gardens around the house, with a also has a garage and a river frontage and a foot-

The house, built about Braxtons, of Battle.

bedrooms.

agent is Jackson and Jackson, of Lymington, Hampshire. Village houses which in-

clude a small shop often offer a lot of domestic space as well. Mountjoy, in Mount Street, Battle, Sussex, appears to date from the sixteenth or seventeenth cen-tury and is built of brick, is partly tile hung and partly white colour washed.

It has three reception rooms, one of which is used 6in by 13ft 10in. There are also a breakfast room, five bedrooms and a cellar.

Adjoining the house is a detached two-storey barn. It walled garden: The price is bridge leading to the island. £72,000 and the agent is

ception rooms, a breakfast five miles from the Woodroom, a partly panelled bil- bridge sailing centre. The liards room, a studio and six property is Georgian brick built and colour washed Outhouses include garage under a tiled roof; it has two ing and a stable block. The reception rooms, a large price is £125,000 and the shop or extra reception room, five bedrooms and a box room. At the rear is a large outbuilding about 37ft by 25ft for use as a store or workshop, and a mainly walled garden. The property is for sale at £52,000, through

Abbotts, of Colchester. Very typical of its area is Herons Pond House, at Kirdford, north of Perworth, in West Sussex. It is in a part of the Weald where iron was smelted in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

The house dates from the sixteenth century and has a grade two listing as being of special architectural or historic interest. It is brick with tile hung upper parts, a high pitched roof and an unusual chimney cluster.

The drawing room has an island; it has two main re- in Wickham Market, about a bread oven. Another ingle-



Herons Pond House, at Kirdford, in West Sussex, a grade two listed house for sale at £100,000.

dining room.

There are four bedrooms on the first floor, and a fifth house and extends to about 1750, faces south across the A similar property in inglenook fireplace, a mas- on the second floor. Planning 14 acres. It includes the garden, the river and the Suffolk is Greystone House, sive oak bressumer beam and consent has been obtained pond from which the bouse for conversion of the large gets its name. The price is

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£100,000 and the sale is breakfast room and study, six bedrooms. A barn, of stud through King and Chasemore, and Messenger May Baverstock.

Tugley, in Fisher Lane, near Chiddingfold, on the Surrey and Sussex border.

It is an eighteenth-century cottage, also built of brick with tiled upper parts and a tiled roof. It has two reception rooms and three bedrooms, some of which have The property covers just exposed beams. Outside is a over 1½ acres. Due to come timber and tiled barn. Grounds of about 21 acres Grounds of about 21 acres through Hampton and Sons, include a paddock. Offers of and is expected to make about £70,000 are being more than £135,000. asked through Weller Eggar, of Guildford.

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high stone walls and includes Admirer a water garden and a formal rose garden with box hedges. to auction early in June

The Old Vicarage, in the village of Wickhambrook, West Suffolk, probably dates from the Tudor period, but it made of stud and plaster on tury. It was built of Cotswold a heavy timber frame, with leaded windows under a tiled

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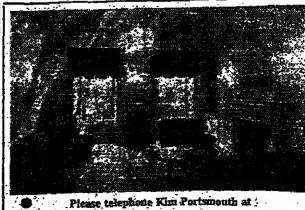
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